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## HK-CHINA TALKS PLANNED

### No Sabotage In Train Accident

Canton, September 10.  
The theory that the derailment of the Canton-Kowloon express on the evening of September 3 was due to sabotage is apparently being discarded by official quarters.  
Dr. W. L. Tse, Commissioner of Reconstruction and one of the Governor's on-the-spot investigators, is quoted by the Canton press as expressing doubt whether the derailment was the work of saboteurs.  
Dr. Tse is reported to have said that when he visited the scene there was no evidence of sabotage. Furthermore, he said, an hour before the derailment a Canton-bound express from Kowloon had passed through safely and in the interval he felt doubtful if saboteurs had sufficient time to cause the disaster.—Reuter.

### Unions Continue Strike

San Francisco, September 10.  
Leaders of striking CIO longshoremen counted ballots today to determine if the union wanted them to sign non-Communist affidavits and to accept the West Coast employers' last offer—long since withdrawn.  
The first tabulation came from Seattle, where the union announced a vote of 1,369 to 19 in favor of the offer.  
Waterfront and shipping employers announced when the strike began last week they would no longer negotiate with unions whose officers refused to sign non-Communist affidavits as required for services of the National Labour Relations Board.  
Seattle longshoremen also voted 1,467 to 15 against accepting the last offer of the employers, which would have granted a straight time hourly wage increase of 10 cents. The union demanded a 15 cent increase to \$1.52 an hour.  
Meanwhile, longshoremen returned to work at terminals operated by the port of Bellingham, Washington, under an interim agreement by which the union said its men were receiving a 15 cent increase per hour. Several Puget Sound independent have made such agreements.  
The strike entered its ninth day with the longshoremen and allied seafaring unions and the shipping and waterfront employers' associations in major ports standing firm.—Associated Press.

### Bernadotte In Rhodes

Rhodes, September 10.  
Count Bernadotte returned to his Palestine headquarters from Tel Aviv Thursday. He is expected to work on his report to the United Nations during the next few days.  
His staff said it was possible the report on efforts to find a permanent solution to the Palestine problem might be finished some time next week.  
The report will go to Secretary General Trygve Lie for distribution to members of U.NO.  
It is expected to come up for discussion before the General Assembly beginning in Paris on September 21.  
Bernadotte conferred with Israeli leaders in Tel Aviv Thursday. He previously talked with Arab leaders in Alexandria and Amman.—Associated Press.

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## Officials May Confer On Economic Measures BUDGET DISCUSSED

Nanking, September 10.

The Chinese Government will soon dispatch high officials of the Ministry of Finance and the Central Bank to negotiate with the Hong Kong authorities on the thorough implementation of the anti-smuggling pact, it was reported today.

Official attention in Nanking was again directed to Hong Kong after reports of intensified flight of capital to the south, believed to have been spurred on by the currency reform.

The opinion is even expressed in some quarters that the success or failure of China's new currency will depend partly on the extent to which the Sino-Hong Kong economic agreement is enforced.

A renewed effort by the Chinese Government to secure the fullest co-operation of Hong Kong to plug what is described as China's economic loophole, coincides with the action taken by the Shanghai Garrison authorities in binding Hong Kong-bound travellers by a permit system.

Satisfaction is expressed here over the reported cancellation in Hong Kong of the official rate of Shanghai remittances, as the action is believed likely to lead to the disappearance of the black market.

Dr. T. V. Soong is reported to have drafted a series of effective anti-smuggling measures which will form the subject of the Sino-Hong Kong discussions.

### To Be Licensed

Under the projected plan it is reported that anti-smuggling operations between Canton and Hong Kong will be intensified and import and export across the border will be subjected to Chinese licensing.

Factories and corporations in Shanghai meanwhile, have been ordered to deposit their foreign currency gold and silver assets to the Central Bank of China within one week.

The Vice Finance Minister, Mr. Shu Po-yuan, will be sent to Shanghai next week to supervise the transfer of these assets by factories and corporations.

An official source said President Chiang Kai-shek was paying close attention to the matter. He received the Finance Minister, Mr. Wang Yun-wu, Mr. Shu and the Governor of the Central Bank, Mr. O. K. Yui, yesterday and gave them specific instructions.

## New Developments In Berlin Crisis

Berlin, September 10.  
The Soviet authorities today "requested" the American Air Force headquarters to provide full details of every flight along the air corridors leading to Berlin.

The formal notice from the Soviets, which the American headquarters said raised impossible conditions, was delivered at the Four-Power Air Safety Control Centre as a squadron or more of Soviet bombers manoeuvred over the building.

The Soviet letter said the Soviet authorities wanted full information down to the pilot's name and the exact time of take-off for each plane entering the air corridors not less than one hour before the take-off to or from Berlin.

### "Impossible"

The demand for what one Air Force officer called an "impossible" fund of useless information was a corollary to an earlier notification that large-scale Soviet air manoeuvres were to be carried out for a week along the air corridors over Berlin and throughout the Soviet Zone of Germany.

A prompt American rejection of the Soviet letter was handed to the Soviet Union. It was pointed out the United States Air Force was operating and would continue to operate its aircraft according to

### Further Moves

This source said further the Government is likely to move against certain banks and money houses in Shanghai who thus far still refuse to transfer their foreign currency, gold and silver to the Central Bank of China.

In Nanking, the Finance Minister Wang Yun-wu told a closed session of the Legislative Yuan that the national budget for the next six months could be balanced if economic measures were successfully enforced, official sources said.

The Yuan members raised many questions in their meeting to consider emergency currency regulations promulgated by Presidential decree.

They raised sharp questions, particularly over the amount of gold issued, exact currency reserves, and what amount will be issued.

One member asked assurances "that gold and foreign exchange the people are forced to surrender will all be converted into backing for the new money."—Reuter, Associated Press and United Press.

### Elizabeth's Gratitude

Shanghai, September 10.  
Princess Elizabeth, in a letter reprinted in today's North China Daily News, expressed her gratitude and appreciation for the "magnificent" carpets which the British community sent her as a wedding present.  
She added: "It would be difficult for me to exaggerate the value of such a present in furnishing Clarence House, where these carpets will always remind me of the generosity shown to me by so many friends in China on the occasion of my wedding."—Reuter.

### In Conformity

This, it was explained, was in conformity with the quadripartite agreements on air safety. The negotiations in Berlin for four-power currency control have reached such an impasse, it was reported today, that the envoys of the three Western powers in Moscow will be asked to seek another interview with the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Molotov, in an effort to resolve the difficulties.

For the past two days, the representatives of Britain, France and the United States in London have been studying reports made by the Western Military Government on the first week of the four-power currency talks in Berlin.—Reuter and United Press.

## Meet On Colonies Postponed

Washington, September 9.

The United States' proposal to postpone the Council of Foreign Ministers on the Italian colonies until next Monday was made in a memorandum delivered to the Soviet Embassy in Washington this evening.

The note read: "The Department of State is entirely agreeable to holding the Council meeting in Paris. The date of September 10 proposed by the Soviet Union would not, however, allow sufficient time for the Department to prepare the necessary instructions for the American delegation."

The United States suggested that the meeting should be held next Monday in Paris and hopes that the date would be acceptable to Russia.

It is understood that the United States Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Lewis Douglas, will head the American delegation.

The Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, said earlier that he did not plan to leave for Paris until the United Nations meeting opens before September 18.—Reuter.

### Japan-Siam Trade Plan

Tokyo, September 10.  
The Allied Headquarters today announced that a \$68,000,000 Siam-Japan trade plan involving Japanese rolling stock and steel products and Siamese rice has been adopted by Allied Headquarters officials and the Siamese Trade Mission following joint conferences here.

### Scandinavia May Plan Defence

Stockholm, September 9.  
The Swedish Foreign Office announced tonight that the Foreign Ministers of Sweden, Norway and Denmark, meeting here today, decided to ask their Governments to investigate the possibility of a joint defence of Scandinavia.

The Swedish Foreign Office communique reported some differences of opinion on high military security problems. These, it was understood, were principally between the Swedish Foreign Minister, M. Oesten Unden, who supports the idea that such a Scandinavian bloc should remain neutral in any future world conflict and M. Halvord Lange, of Norway, who wants such a bloc integrated into the Western European bloc.

The Swedish communique also announced that the three Scandinavian Foreign Ministers had agreed in talks here to adopt a common line on all points of the agenda of the United Nations General Assembly, opening on September 21 at Paris.

They agreed to support Norway's candidacy for the vacancy of the Security Council caused by Belgium's retirement.—Reuter.

### SUMMER TIME TO END OCT. 31

Summer Time in Hong Kong will end on October 31.  
At 4.30 a.m. that day, clocks will be put back one full hour after which Standard Hong Kong Time will be observed until next summer.

### US Destroyers At Gibraltar

Gibraltar, September 10.  
Four American destroyers, vanguard of 35 United States warships to join the British Fleet next week, dropped anchor in Gibraltar Bay today.  
The main fleet of American ships will arrive on September 23 bringing 15,000 sailors to this port.—United Press.

## US Press Favours Dewey

New York, September 10.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, Republican candidate for president, has the support of 68.68 per cent of daily newspapers in the United States comprising 70.4 per cent of the total daily circulation, a preliminary survey by the trade journal, Editor and Publisher, showed today.

In the volume of support by dailies, Governor Dewey led all other candidates and was ahead of President Truman, Democratic nominee, four to one, the survey showed.

Mr. Truman had the backing of 16.16 per cent of the papers, accounting for 13.99 per cent of the circulation.  
Governor Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, candidate of the states' rights party, was supported by 2.97 per cent of the papers with 1.39 per cent of the circulation while Mr. Henry Wallace, Progressive Party candidate, had .28 per cent of the papers with .24 per cent of the circulation.

Newspapers maintaining an independent attitude or which are undecided or not yet announced it account for 10.91 per cent of the total and 10.82 per cent of the circulation. They include the Scripps-Howard and Hearst groups.—United Press.

### SIAM POLICE TO CONFER

Kuala Lumpur, September 10.  
A police delegation from southern Siam has arrived in Kota Bharu, not far from the Siam border, in North Malaya, for discussions with the authorities there, it was learned today.  
The nature of the talks was not known. A floating unrest has been reported from the Siam-Malaya border districts recently.—Reuter.

## SUSPENSION OF HOTEL RATES LEGALISED HERE

Government took action for the first time yesterday to legalise the temporary suspension of the controlled rates for hotel accommodation, fixed by the Competent Authority, Mr. P. F. J. Eardley, on August 1.

Legally, the reduced rates fixed by the Competent Authority have been valid from August 1 until last night, despite the "gentleman's agreement" between Government and the hotel managements suspending the enforcement of the new rates and freezing the charges at the rates prevailing on July 31.

The amendment becomes effective from today, giving legal status to the hotel rates prevailing on July 31 last.

### EEC Council Meeting Summoned

Paris, September 9.  
A well-informed source said tonight that the Council of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation had been summoned to meet in Paris tomorrow afternoon.  
The source added that this could be taken as a sign that differences between members over Marshall Aid allocation for 1948 have been overcome.

It was added that the Council's final submission of plans for allocations should be ready for presentation to Mr. Averell Harriman, the U.S. Ambassador-at-Large, on about September 25.

It was believed in Paris tonight that the Bizone has largely won its claim for a bigger share of Marshall Aid.  
This was the main point in dispute between the 12 participating nations.—Reuter.

## Ritual Murder Tale Unearthed

Brighton, September 10.  
A ritual murder by English savages of 35,000 years ago is believed to be the story behind the discovery of a woman's skull, pierced by spears, found buried beneath hundreds of tons of rock in a cave near Whaley, Derbyshire.

Details of what is described as a spectacular discovery, the oldest woman's skull of prehistoric times found in Britain, were given today for the first time to the British Association of Scientists by Mr. A. L. Armstrong, who found the remains.

After his lecture, Mr. Armstrong said: "The woman lived before the last Ice Age and she may have been a Chellean or a Cro-Magnon. She had been beheaded and her skull was deliberately buried in a box formed by rock slabs. It was obviously a ritual murder."

"A pygmy scoop was found inside the skull and it looks as if the brain had been scooped out and ceremoniously eaten."

Mr. Armstrong continued: "There were five squared holes in the skull, probably made by a bone or stone spearhead. The bone of the skull had been splayed inwards."  
Sir Arthur Keith, one of the greatest living authorities on Ancient Man, is examining the skull in his laboratory.  
Mr. Armstrong added that the skull was identified as that of a woman aged 50 to 55.  
The skull, which was in 68 pieces and peculiarly narrow and

### The Weather

A ridge from the Pacific anticyclone extends across Honshu to north-east China but is weakening in the Yellow Sea area as a small but fairly active depression now centred off the coast of near Wakehouse moves slowly NNE.  
An extensive trough stretches east from the Philippines. There is little pressure gradient, over south-west and west China.

Today's Forecast—Light variable or west winds. Mainly fair, a few scattered showers, inland.  
Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 80.6 deg. Fahr. Minimum 77.4 deg. Fahr. Sunshine 10.8 hours.  
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—1109.9 mm—76.02 ins. as against an average of 1748 mm—109.2 ins. Readings at: 10 a.m. 4 p.m. 10 p.m. Baro. at sea level—1007.8—1008.5 inches. Rel. Humidity: 50 51 51 51 Dew Point: 59 59 59 59 Wind Direction: W by N WNW Wind Force: 2 2 2 2 Tide—Time: 11.0 11.0 High: 10.20 11.20 Low: 11.4 11.4

### Confirms Death Of Gen. Feng

Madame Feng Yu-hsiang, wife of China's "Christian" General, has officially confirmed the death of her husband in a fire aboard a Russian ship in the Black Sea.  
The confirmation was in a telegram received yesterday from her by Marshal Li Chai-sum, Chairman of the Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee.

The telegram, dated September 8, said that Madame Feng was not well and that on her recovery would continue her journey to China to carry on the work of her husband.

No mention was made of her husband's alleged reported to have perished in the fire.

## Yugoslavs In Border Violation

Athens, September 10.  
The War Minister, Mr. George Stratos, said that last night a group of Yugoslav soldiers had invaded Greece and had been thrown back. He appealed for international help to prevent a general war in the Balkans.

Mr. Stratos said the invasion came on Wednesday in the Kaimatchan area and that Greek forces killed nine Yugoslav soldiers and repelled the attack. In Belgrade, Yugoslav officials were silent on the reports.

The War Minister charged Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria with repeated border provocations, and cautioned that the Allies and the U.N. should act before any incursion touches off general fighting.

He said Greece would consider accepting an international military force to send the 500 miles of Greece's borders with her three neighbours.  
Mr. Stratos said the Yugoslavs captured one peak from the Greeks in Thura-lino across the frontier.

Greek forces counter-attacked and regained the summit. The War Minister said eight Yugoslav soldiers and one officer were left dead in Greece by the retreating forces and three Yugoslav soldiers were captured.—Associated Press.

### GENERAL MEIGS DOCKS AT S.F.

San Francisco, September 10.  
The American President Liner, General Meigs, today docked from the Far East with 600 Chinese and Indian students aboard.  
They are destined for colleges and universities throughout the United States. Nearly 200 Indian students will be housed temporarily at the University of California.—United Press.

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# ADMIRAL BOYD LEAVES COLONY FOR SINGAPORE

Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet, left by HMS Alert for the Fleet's new shore station at Singapore yesterday.

## Illegal Export Case

Tong Yuk-man, a fruit stall holder on the ss. Wusch was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with exporting 50 dozen bottles of aerated water on August 10.

Defendant said that he was not aware of the regulations. He was cautioned, but 30 dozen bottles were confiscated.

R.O. Redman said that on August 10 he seized the 50 dozen bottles of aerated water. He had been informed by Messrs. A.S. Watson and Co. that the number of bottles was in excess of the quota allowed by the Company.

When asked, defendant said he had no export permit and did not need one as the goods were part of ship stores.

The export of full or empty bottles was prohibited.

Mr. A. Stevens of Messrs. Watson and Co. said that the company had allowed a quota of 20 dozen daily for this ship. Any additional amount had to be applied for and would be given only after discussion with the Supply, Trade and Industry Department and the applicant.

In applicant for confiscation, Mr. Redman said that as the defendant was allowed to have 20 dozen on board, he would ask for the cancellation of the balance.

Defendant had three previous convictions for breach of the price control regulations.

He was rowed from Queen's Pier to his ship by Rear-Admiral R.D. Oliver, Rear-Admiral A.C.G. Madden, Commodore C.L. Robertson, Commodore R.I. Robertson and Captain J.U. Farquhar in a whaler.

A large gathering at the pier gave him a rousing send off, and as the whaler neared HMS Alert a nearby sampan let off firecrackers to wish Sir Denis luck in traditional Chinese style.

Before his departure from the Colony he reviewed a parade in his honour at the Hong Kong Cricket Club Ground at 11 a.m. Taking part in the parade were detachments from the Royal Navy, the 2nd Battalion The Buffs, and the Royal Air Force. The Band of the Buffs, which displayed its regimental colours, was in attendance.

Among the distinguished gathering who witnessed the parade from the pavilion were the General Officer Commanding, Major-General F.E.G. Matthews, and Mrs. Matthews, the Air Officer Commanding, Air Commodore S.N. Webster, and Mrs. Webster; Rear-Admiral R.D. Oliver and Mrs. Oliver, Rear-Admiral A.C.G. Madden and Mrs. Madden, Commodore R.I. Robertson and Mrs. Robertson, the Commodore-in-Chief, Commodore S.N. Webster, and Mrs. Webster; Brigadier H.A. Skone, Group Captain Jefferson, and Lieutenant-Colonel Parry.

After the parade Admiral Boyd was the guest of honour of the Lieutenant-Colonel H. Owen Hughes, President of the Hong Kong Cricket Club, at a cocktail party at the Club Pavilion.

### New Post

Reuter reports from London the Admiralty announced today that the shore headquarters of the British Pacific Fleet will be transferred from Hong Kong to Singapore on September 15.

The announcement said that Admiral Sir Denis W. Boyd, Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet, whose staff will also be transferred, will become after that date the "Commander-in-Chief, Far East Station."

Hong Kong will remain the operational training base of the Station. The change is being made "in order to facilitate inter-service co-operation in the Far East."

Admiral Sir Denis Boyd arrived in Singapore early in July in preparation for the official transfer, which now puts the naval headquarters side by side with the headquarters of the Far East Land Forces, and the Far East Air Command.

## Ciro's On Union's Blacklist

The month-old Hong Kong Musicians' Union yesterday instructed its 150 members that Ciro's Ballroom at West Point is on its blacklist.

Union members have been forbidden to play there until a current dispute with the ballroom management is settled satisfactorily.

Ciro's Ballroom has been without Union musicians since last Monday night. It has been carrying on with a three-piece Chinese band, the members of which do not belong to the Union.

The dispute resulted from wages arrears. In addition, the management has proposed a reduction in the members of the Union band and a 20 per cent cut in wages.

Negotiations during the past five days between the ballroom management and the musicians failed to produce any settlement. The Union is now contemplating legal action against the management.

### COSTLY MEAL

A 30-cent bowl of rice congee cost a Chinese more than HK\$100 last night.

As he squatted beside a wayside food stall at 10.30 p.m. yesterday to eat the bowl of food near the Central Market his wallet was snatched from his pocket.

In the wallet were HK\$50 and 70 Chinese gold Yuan.

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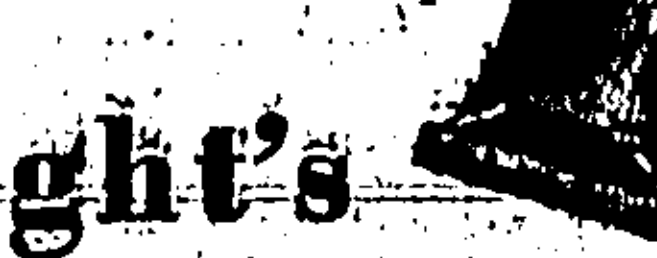
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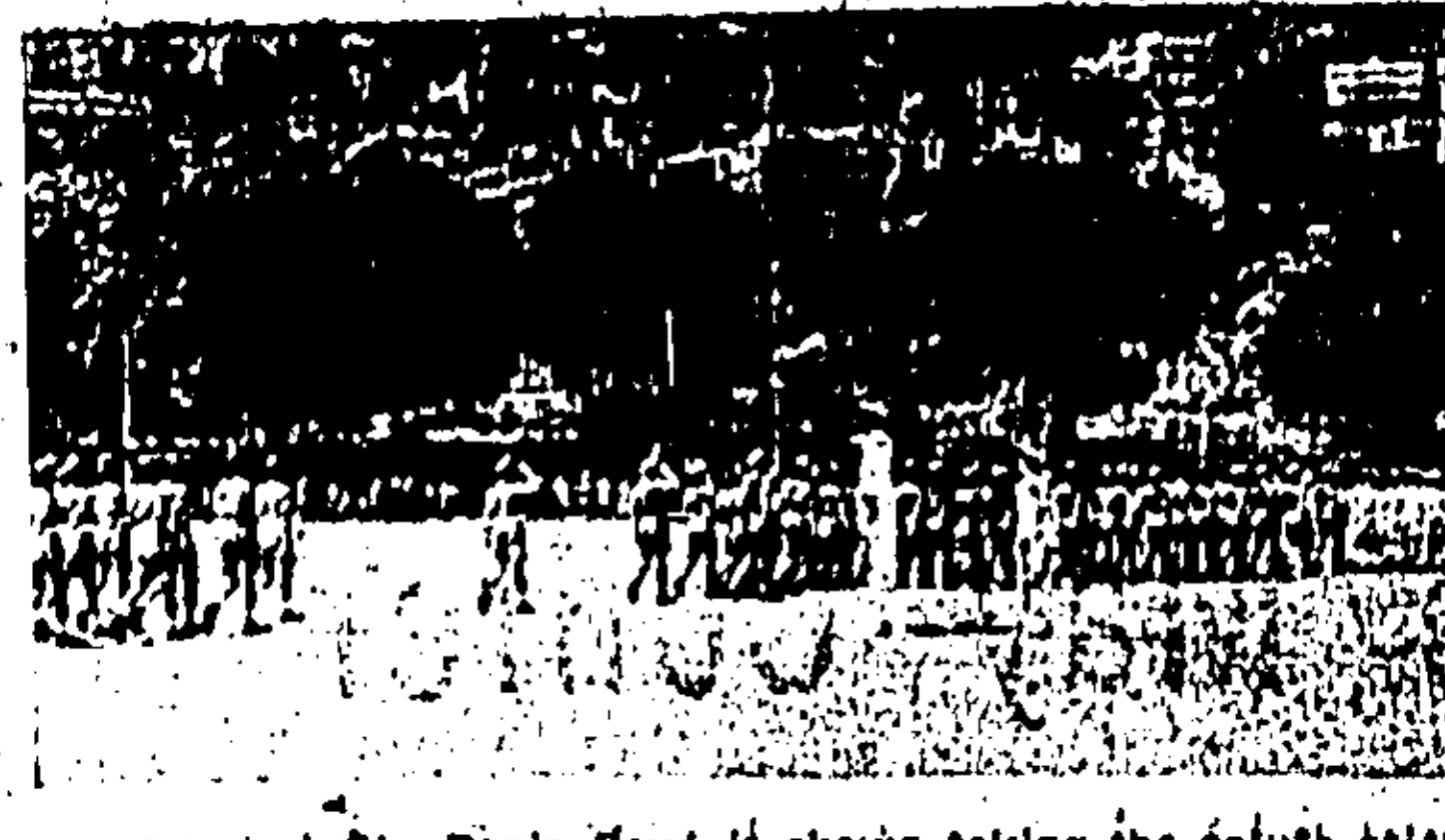
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Admiral Sir Denis Boyd is shown taking the salute before Hong Kong Cricket Club grounds prior to his departure for Singapore.

## PEARL HARBOUR "IMBECILITY"

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour has been termed "strategic imbecility" by the U.S. Navy historian, Samuel Eliot Morison.

Writing in "Rising Sun in the Pacific," the third book of his projected 13-volume naval history of World War II, the Harvard professor said of Japan's December 7, 1941, gambit:

"One can search military history in vain for an operation more fatal to the aggressor. On a tactical level, the Pearl Harbour attack was wrongly concentrated in ships rather than on permanent installations and oil tanks. On a strategic level it was idiotic. On a high political level it was disastrous."

As to lack of American preparation for the attack, Mr. Morison criticized the Army and Navy leaders in Hawaii for being "so keen on their Sabbath rest." The warning might have been received, he said, but for the "efficiency of General Marshall's horse in keeping him so long at his Sunday morning exercise."

The Secretary of State was then the Army Chief of Staff.

### Navy Captain

Mr. Morison, who gathered his material as a Navy captain, with special access to the fighting theatres and postwar records, said failure of leadership and industrial strength doomed the Japanese effort.

"Never since 1814 had the U.S. Navy been up against so tough, well-trained or powerful a fighting force. But no Navy can be better than its high command or endure without a firm industrial base."—United Press.

## Berlin Not Sold By US At Yalta

Washington, September 9.

The United States did not agree at Yalta to let Russian troops enter Berlin first and would have taken the German capital itself if it had been possible, according to the papers of the late Harry Hopkins.

The Hopkins memorandum on the subject was made public in Colliers magazine in the final instalment of the Robert Sherwood series on the secret Hopkins papers.

Mr. Hopkins wrote the memo just before the San Francisco conference, to deny a report by columnist Drew Pearson in April 1945. Pearson said the American troops which reached the suburbs of Berlin first, because of an agreement at Yalta with the Russians that Soviet troops should be the first to enter Berlin.

Calling the report "absolutely untrue," Mr. Hopkins said in fact the subject was not even discussed at Yalta. He said the Western Allied military leaders

had agreed with the Russian strategists that "both of us were going to push as hard as we could."

### General Bradley

"It is equally untrue that General Bradley paused on the Elbe River at the request of the Russians so the Russians could break through to Berlin first. General Bradley did get a division well out towards Potsdam, but it far out-reached itself."

"Supplies were totally inadequate and anyone who knows anything about it knows we would have taken Berlin had we been able to do so. This would have been a great feather in the Army's cap."

Sherwood also described Mr. Hopkins' last visit to Moscow to arrange for President Truman's postwar Potsdam meeting with Marshal Stalin. He said Stalin told Mr. Hopkins he was convinced Hitler was not dead, "but was being kept alive by submarine."—United Press.

## Police Club Opening October 2

Work on the clubhouse and grounds of the Police Recreation Club at Happy Valley is now almost complete and the Club will be officially reopened on Saturday, October 2.

The work of rehabilitating the clubhouse and grounds has been going on for nearly three months and an excellent job has been done. The main damage to the clubhouse was to the roof work. The walls and floors were in a very good condition when work began. One of the main beams of the roof had been eaten in parts by termites, and for the timely arrival of the contractor, the roof would have given in, resulting in more expenses.

The ground which has been completely returned, is in excellent condition. A full size Lawn Bowls green has been laid and though it will not be fit for play this year, should be in excellent condition for the next few seasons. It is proposed to play bowls all the year round. Facilities will be provided for tennis.

A cocktail party will be held on the day of the re-opening and this will be followed by a concert in the evening. A number of Government officials will attend. The committee invite representation from other clubs.

All the former records of the club have been lost and the Committee would be grateful if any pre-war member or honorary member who has not been contacted and who wishes to rejoin, will communicate with Mr. J. Shepherd, the chairman or Mr. R.B. Davis the Hon. Secretary.

## False Alarm On Vessel

Huge columns of thick black smoke belching from the funnel of mv. Hudson, off Green Island, yesterday sent Fire Boat No. 2 speeding to the scene with a full crew under the Fire Brigade's Acting Chief Officer, Mr. C.W. Brand.

The alarm was received at 3.10 p.m. and 43 minutes later, Fire Boat No. 2 was alongside the mv. Hudson, firing ship, lying between Canton and Hong Kong.

Smoke billowing from the ship's funnel resulted from over-heating. One delivery of a full hydrant on the fire boat was used.

The ship steamed into the harbour later in the afternoon without any damage or delay to the crew. There were no passengers on board the vessel.

The mv. Hudson, which has been declared an quarantine society by the Government.

## Not Gaming Place If Bank Rotates

Holding that a place does not come under the definition of a common gaming house when the game played is one in which the bank is held in rotation, Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday acquitted Ngan Wing, 28-year-old goldsmith of 39 Peking Road, on that charge.

Five other defendants, on the charge of gambling, were also discharged, and the sum of \$190 seized by the police was ordered to be returned to Lam Ping, 28-year-old tailor of 18 Shanghai Street, first floor, who claimed the money as his personal property.

When the case was first heard on Thursday, the magistrate remanded it for a day for Detective Sub-Inspector J.R. Sykes, the officer in charge of the raiding party, to attend court.

In evidence yesterday, DSI Sykes said that when the police arrived outside room 318 at the Wo Ping Boarding House, Nathan Road, on Wednesday they had to wait two minutes before the door was opened to them.

When they entered the room they saw Ngan Wing climbing over the partition to the next room. He was pulled down.

A carton containing four cards was found on the table around which the other five men were standing. On the table was also \$190, said DSI Sykes, while nearby was a set of mah-jongg cards inside its box. Playing cards were found under a cloth and scattered under the bed.

When the prosecuting officer was asked what game the defendants were playing, he replied that it was poker and, at the invitation of the court, gave a description of stud poker.

A definition of a common gaming house, as given in the Gaming Ordinance of 1891, the magistrate said that "a common gaming house includes any place, opened, kept or used for playing therein any game of chance or any mixed game of chance and skill in which the bank is kept by one and not exclusively of the other players."

In the game of poker, said Mr. Latimer, the winner of a game is the dealer (or bank) of the following game. In other words, the bank (if it can be so called) is held in rotation and not exclusively of the other players.

Ordering the return of the money, the magistrate said that it might possibly be the fact of the sums betted which the police knocked at the door, but in the absence of evidence to the contrary, he had to accept Lam Ping's claim that it was his.

## FINED FOR OVERCHARGING

A fine of \$400 was imposed on Chin Ho, of the Wing Lee store, 13 Victoria Street, by Mr. Thomas Tam at Central yesterday, when he pleaded guilty to overcharging \$2 on 12 tins of Australian jam.

Defendant said that he had bought the jam from Sincere and Co., who had the same amount on the price tag as he did.

Mr. Pitman of the Probation Control office said that was correct but Sincere and Co. was one of the companies which had a permit to sell above the controlled price, when the price of new goods was higher than previous shipments.

## DEATH OF FENG CALLED "FISHY"

Taiyuan, September 10.

Warlord Governor Yen Hui-shan of Shanxi described a Moscow report of the death of Christian General Feng Ya-hsian aboard a Soviet ship as "very fishy."

"There's quite a possibility that the Russians killed Feng," he said. "At one time, Feng had conversations with them and they supplied him with arms. But he didn't take by their orders and Russians considered him a traitor. Therefore according to their lights they had good reason to liquidate him."

Even if Feng was alive today, he wouldn't be much use to the Chinese Reds. Moscow would not like them to use a man who had been faithful to the Communists.

"If it could be proved that the Russians killed Feng, it would be a good lesson to those Chinese who would like to gain power, through the Communists."

Yen said that when Feng was in the United States he wrote him a letter "warning him that he might be liquidated by the Communists. I told him, if you are against Chiang Kai-shek, you can come out against him without throwing your lot in with the Reds who will never trust you or co-operate with you."—Associated Press.

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## Not Enough Life-Saving Equipment

Fire extinguishers and life belts should be in a position to be produced immediately, as when they are needed it is in a hurry, Mr. D. G. Cairns remarked when he fined Wong Ming-yu \$200 yesterday for breach of licence condition.

The 26-year-old master of a motor junk was charged with failing to have the required number of fire extinguishers and life-saving equipment aboard his vessel.

Wong, a native of Swatow, pleaded not guilty.

Sub-Inspector J. Neuenhoff of the Water Police told the Court in evidence that he arrested defendant at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday at Heilung Bay. The junk was on her way to Hong Kong from Tsan Pong. Witness said he found only one fire extinguisher in good condition while two others were empty. There were only four life belts seen. The licence stipulated that defendant should have aboard four extinguishers and 35 life belts. Defendant told him that he had some life belts stored under the cargo and could not be produced then.

Wong declared that he had two fire extinguishers on the deck and another two in the engine room. He had four life belts on the deck, while others were under the cargo of pigs and could be taken out within five minutes, in the event of emergency.

He said that he attempted to put out the cargo to show the police the life belts, but the inspector told him to go to the police station.

Wong said that the chemicals in the empty extinguishers were old and unserviceable. He threw the contents at Tsan Pong and intended to refill the empties at Hong Kong.

Mr. F. Brett, Senior Marine Officer, recommended that the junk be surveyed again before her departure.

## Reminders

**Today**  
Screening of a Travel Film, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m. (admission free)  
North Point Wharves, Ltd., statutory meeting, Jacobson Room, H.K. Hotel, 12 noon.  
H.K. School for the Deaf, ceremony of laying foundation stone, Diamond Hill, 3.30 p.m.  
Kowloon Cricket Club Cabaret Dance, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
Seven-a-side Stanley Shield Soccer Competition, H.K. Football Club ground, 3 p.m. onwards.  
Entries close for Annual Swimming Championships.  
Sunday School Party, Kowloon Union Church, Church Hall, 3 to 5.30 p.m.  
Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony, School for the Deaf, by Sir M.K. Lo, Diamond Hill, 3.30 p.m.

**Coming Events**  
**TOMORROW**  
Classical Concert, The H. Club, Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.  
Seven-a-side Stanley Shield Soccer Competition, H.K. Football Club ground, 3 p.m. onwards.

**TUESDAY**  
H.K. Football Association Council meeting, Prince's Bldg., 5.15 p.m.  
H.K. Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.50 p.m.

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**PHILIPS AERO RADIOPLAYERS NOW ON DISPLAY IN THE Gloucester Arcade**

Plans for reviving the slumbering Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps are being discussed at the Colonial Office in London, the "China Mail" learned unofficially yesterday.

The report added that the plans envisage an organisation on a larger scale than before the Pacific War. The strength proposed includes air force and navy sections. The corps will be provided with modern arms and equipment.

The report was described yesterday at the Colonial Secretariat as a "guess" and "preliminary".

The "China Mail" was told that nothing has yet been decided and that a detailed statement will be issued when the final arrangements are decided.

The original report added that the authorities in Hong Kong have no fears of possible internal trouble. The proposal to activate the Volunteer Corps has been made on account of pressure of world events.

## Clothing Allowance

Clothing allowance for members of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps has been increased from HK\$450 to HK\$600 (not HK\$800 as reported yesterday). Volunteers who have received payment of HK\$450 are to submit their claims for the extra HK\$150 to the Adjutant. The method of payment will be announced later by the Adjutant.

## Action For Breach Of Contract

An action for damages for breach of contract was heard before Mr. Justice Reynolds (Additional Judge), at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The plaintiffs, Pak Wo Cheung of 128 Bonham Strand East, were represented by Mr. F. G. Nigel of Messrs. Johnson Stokes & Messers.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon represented the defendants, R. C. Conway and Company of 83 Des Voeux Road West.

It was alleged by the plaintiffs that they had suffered damage by reason of the defendant's breach of a contract made on June 15, 1948, for the sale of 50 bags of green peas totalling 22-2125 piculs, at \$40.50 a picul.

A written memorandum of the transaction was made by defendants on June 17, 1948. The plaintiffs claimed that as a result of the defendant's failure to complete the purchase of the green peas, they were forced to sell them elsewhere.

The green peas were sold at \$46 a picul and a total loss of \$1,337.08 was sustained. The plaintiffs agreed to waive the sum of \$337.00 in order to bring the action within the Summary Jurisdiction of the Court.

For the defence, Mr. Hon said that defendant had refused to complete the purchase because the green peas tendered by plaintiffs were not according to sample.

After evidence by Tam Tang, the broker who negotiated the transaction, hearing was adjourned until September 16 at 10.30 a.m.

Shares in the Shanghai Land Investment Company Limited have been exempted from the provisions of Articles 11 and 12 of the Moratorium Proclamation.

## AGRICULTURAL LOT ATTRACTS BUYERS

An agricultural lot at Tai Wo, Tsun Wan, with an area of 1.67 acres and an annual Crown rent of \$13.40 attracted a large number of buyers when it was put up by sale by public auction at the District Offices, New Territories, yesterday.

The upset price of \$364 was, within a short time, raised to \$1,500 and, with bids of between \$50 and \$25, ultimately knocked down to Messrs. Fong Pon-on and Chau Chuk-ming for \$2,801, or nearly eight times the value assessed by Government.

Another lot keenly contested for was three-quarters of an acre agricultural land in the same district. With an annual Crown Rent of \$8 and upset price of \$104, it was finally sold to the applicant, Mr. Li Wan-sung, for \$1,000.

Another lot in the same locality, with an area of 1.14 acres and annual Crown rent of \$9.20, was purchased by Mr. Li Wan-sung, the original applicant, at the upset price of \$249.

Two agricultural lots at Yau Kam Tau, measuring 1.08 and .40 acres respectively, were sold at the respective upset prices of \$360 and \$108 to Mr. Young Tung-shan.

The Yiu Nin Savings, Mortgage, Loan and Land Investment Co., Ltd., were the successful applicants for the 1.04 and .42 acre lots at Yau Kam Tau. The annual Crown rents are \$8.40 and \$2.40, and the purchase (upset) prices were \$227 and \$92.

## Traffic Offence Hearing

A fatal traffic accident near the Dairy Farm Kiosk at Ting Tau, Castle Peak Road, at 3.30 p.m. on July 31, as a result of which Miss Maureen Pearson was killed, was recalled before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

When the case was called in which George Guest of 5 Kent Road, Kowloon Tong, was summoned for dangerous driving and driving without due care and attention at the above time and place, Traffic Sub-Inspector W. P. Apps applied for a month's adjournment.

Norman Egan of 284 Prince Edward Road, who was also summoned for the same offence, is still in hospital, said TSI Apps, and the police are unable to proceed with the summons.

TSI Apps said that he understood that Mr. Marcus da Silva had written to the court for the summonses against Guest to be heard on September 10, but the prosecution would like two sets of summonses to be heard together.

Mr. Latimer adjourned the summonses for a month.

## Exceeding Limit

Admitting the summons of exceeding the speed limit in the Nathan Road controlled area on August 14, Mrs. Daisy Richardson of 5 Somerset Road, and W. G. Gloss of Room 234 Peninsula Hotel were fined \$10 each by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

Mrs. Bradbury was driving car 3035, and Gloss car 1892, at speeds of between 28 and 30 miles per hour, said Traffic Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth.

Pleading guilty to the summons of failing to obey the signals of a police officer at the junction of Jordan and Nathan Roads on August 14, Mrs. Daisy Richardson of 105 Waterloo Road stated that she did stop the car (9004) but could not do so quick enough. She was fined \$5.

A summons against W. A. Old of the Sunny Brook Terrace, Sheung Shui, for failing to obey the signals of a police officer while driving jeep 1032 at Nathan Road was withdrawn by TSI Howarth.

## JUDGMENT AWARDED

Judgment in the sum of \$500 and costs was awarded yesterday by Mr. Justice Reynolds (Additional Judge), in favour of Mrs. Hazel Frances Hardy against Mr. C. Bond.

An order for payment by instalments of \$100 a month was made by Mr. Justice Reynolds.

## Misses Train Because Of Theft

Ng Ying, 35-year-old widow, missed her train to Canton on Thursday morning as the result of Yau Yan-shing, 24-year-old unemployed, helping himself to the rattan basket she had with her.

According to Inspector J. Orem, when Yau was charged before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday with larceny, the woman was on board the 8.10 a.m. train and was putting her luggage on to the rack when she found a rattan basket containing 22 oranges, two tins of milk powder, two tins of milk, and two tins of cigarettes, missing.

She searched the carriage and, finding the lavatory door locked from the inside, became suspicious, and waited outside for whoever might be inside to come out.

When Yau emerged from the lavatory, the woman saw that he was carrying her basket in one hand and a small cloth bag containing oranges in the other. She grabbed hold of the bag.

The man threw the basket out on the tracks, where it was picked up by another man, and then let go of his hold on the oranges and jumped off the train. He was chased by the woman and arrested by her on the platform.

Neither the rattan basket nor the other man could be found, said Inspector Orem, who added that defendant had two previous convictions and was expelled on May 3.

Yau was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

## F.C. Clemo Complainant

Mr. F. C. Clemo, General Manager of the China Light & Power Co. Ltd. and President of the Kowloon Residents' Association and Kowloon Rotary Club, was named as the complainant in a traffic case heard before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Chau Sai-ping, 19-year-old student living at 4 Pak Po Street, ground floor, was fined \$20 when he pleaded guilty to the charges of driving a private car without a licence and without the consent of the owner, Chau Sai-kei, his brother.

Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans said that on the evening of September 9 defendant was seen by Mr. Clemo driving a car along Waterloo Road. As the car was about to turn into Prince Edward Road it stalled, and so caused an obstruction at the junction of the two roads.

After re-starting, defendant's car was seen zig-zagging and being driven in a dangerous manner. Mr. Clemo stopped accused and asked him to go with him to the Mong Kok Police Station.

## Personalia

Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, former Secretary for Development in Hong Kong where he helped restore agriculture, fisheries and forestry after the Japanese occupation, has been appointed Secretary for Colonial agricultural research in London. He will also be Secretary to the Committee for Colonial agricultural, animal health and forestry research.

Departures from the Colony yesterday by CPA included A. D. Bennett, Vera Courtney, Helen Elliot, Rosendo Guevara, Venancio Soco, Robert Hao Galanogza, Ang Wu, Chua Liang Sen and Ng Fun (for Manila), Mrs. Yuen, Mrs. Margison, J. Hardie, Shing Khee, Mitri Koneissar (for Bangkok and Singapore).

Among those who left the Peninsula Hotel on Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Braddock, Messrs. H. Abbott, R. E. Fisher, F. W. Watson, H. V. Walters, D. P. Vann, M. R. Nissim and T. S. Lee.

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday, and on Thursday, included Major and Mrs. W. G. Turnbull, Messrs. D. L. Jones, J. W. Morgan, K. L. Maclean, C. F. Anderson, K. G. King, A. J. Chesterton, K. H. Lau and T. A. Bax.

Mr. R. W. A. Mackichan will speak on "The Battle of Britain" Tuesday's luncheon of the Hong Kong Rotary Club.

Passengers who arrived yesterday by CPA from Manila included Theodore Go Castillo, Yu Hui Kuo, Yu Eng Chin, Yu Si, Chua Kim Hoi, and Pablo Alcanzar Tan.

Among those who left by CPA for Manila were Co-Sis, Ong Chiong and Yu Sui.

The forthcoming wedding of Inspector Albert Mudd of Eastern Police Station and Miss Florence Isabelle Spence, stenographer, Prison Officers' Quarters, Stanley, has been announced.

## Tonghai Damaged In Recent Storm

Ten hours after leaving Shanghai for Hong Kong the Swedish motorship Tonghai ran into the wings of Typhoon Hazel, which damaged a bulkhead and double bottom tank. The 3,384-ton former Red Cross ship limped into dry dock yesterday to undergo a survey of her damage.

"The Tonghai was floating like a cork during the 24 hours of bad weather," the ship's officers said.

Heavy rain and swells battered the vessel, which pitched and rolled while cruising at five knots. The crew took shelter in the forward and aft holds. No one was injured during the battering.

The hatches were wrenched from their positions and rolled on the deck with resounding echoes after being tossed high up in the air as the ship lurched up and down over the rough seas.

The bulkhead was badly buffeted, and some of the lower hold doors were not, however, endangering the vessel.

## Suspected Leaks

The frequent rough tossing caused suspected leaks in the double bottom tank. Water had to be pumped out at intervals while the ship was en route to Hong Kong after the storm.

Despite the assault, the Tonghai, which is capable of doing 18 knots normally, motored at five knots, keeping to her course without any threat of danger.

None the worse for the battering, the crew arrived here yesterday, all eager to step ashore.

## Red Cross Ship

Serving as a Red Cross ship during the war, the Swedish motorship is operating the trans-Pacific fast cargo service of the De La Rama Lines. She arrived here with two passengers, Mrs. C. A. Seuser and Mr. S. Nordborg, both en route to Manila, and 362 tons of general cargo for the colony. She has more than 200 tons of cargo for Manila.

The 3384-ton motorship, whose master is Mr. A. F. Carlsson, has a crew of 45 foreigners, including Swedes, Danes and Norwegians. The only Asiatic personnel is the Filipino cook.

Mr. Carlsson, who started his nautical career at 14 and who is now 62 years old, said that it was the first occasion that the vessel had experienced such a storm.

## Appointments

Mr. Maurice Heenan has been appointed Crown Counsel, Supreme Court, effective from August 30, 1948. Mr. Heenan arrived in the Colony from New Zealand on August 30.

Mr. John Finnie has been appointed a Member of the Council of the University of Hong Kong for a period of three years with effect from August 24, 1948. He succeeds Mr. Charles Collingwood Roberts, who has resigned.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy has been appointed a member of the Authorised Architects' Consulting Committee with effect from September 4, 1948.

Mr. Wong Sik-kay has been appointed a member of the Price Control Advisory Board in place of Mr. Kwok Chan who has resigned.

Messrs. D. L. Strellett and J. T. Prior have relinquished their appointments as Magistrates with effect from September 7, 1948.

Mr. Pedro Paulo Botelho has been recognised provisionally as Honorary Consul for Guatemala at Hong Kong.

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## Arrested For Tax Evasion

A 17-year-old Chinese actor, a widow, a married woman, two students, four carpenters, two hawkers, and four shop folks were arrested by Inspector J. F. Muford of the Inland Revenue Department for evading entertainment tax on Thursday.

For being found inside the Po Hing Theatre without a ticket, Li Sai-kwong, aged 17, who gave his profession as an actor and has address at the Po Hing Theatre, was fined \$25 by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

The four carpenters arrested in the same theatre were mulcted in the sum of \$30 each, as were Ng Koi (25-year-old widow) and Fung Chun (25-year-old married woman) who were found inside the Kwong Ming Theatre without a ticket. Lau Kam, aged 20, hawker, arrested at the same time as the two women, was fined \$25, by the same magistrate.

Ho Kam-cheung, aged 20, student, and Leung Man, 18-year-old hawker, were fined \$25 and \$30, respectively, by Mr. Latimer for not buying a ticket at the Kwong Chee Theatre.

Kwok Wing-chung, 22-year-old shop folk of 29 Pak Yung Street, first floor, who was found inside the Prince Theatre without a ticket had his bail of \$100 accepted by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Arrested in the same theatre were Wong Keung, Tong Hon-to (10-year-old student) and Cheung Ah-chuen. First accused was fined \$25, and the other two \$30 each. The same penalty was imposed on Li Chak who was arrested inside the Sun Wah Theatre.

The cases were prosecuted by Inspector J. Orem and Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans.

## Policeman Charged

Police-sergeant 409 Chen Shu, attached to the Shamshuipo Police Station, was charged before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday with procuring by threats or intimidation a female person to have unlawful relationship with him at the Nam Lo Boarding House on August 30.

Applying for a remand of seven days in custody, Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans said that he understood that Mr. A. S. C. Comer will be defending the accused, and that a request for bail will be made.

The police, he said, were prepared to grant bail in the sum of \$5,000 cash.

Accused was remanded for six days, with bail of \$5,000 offered.

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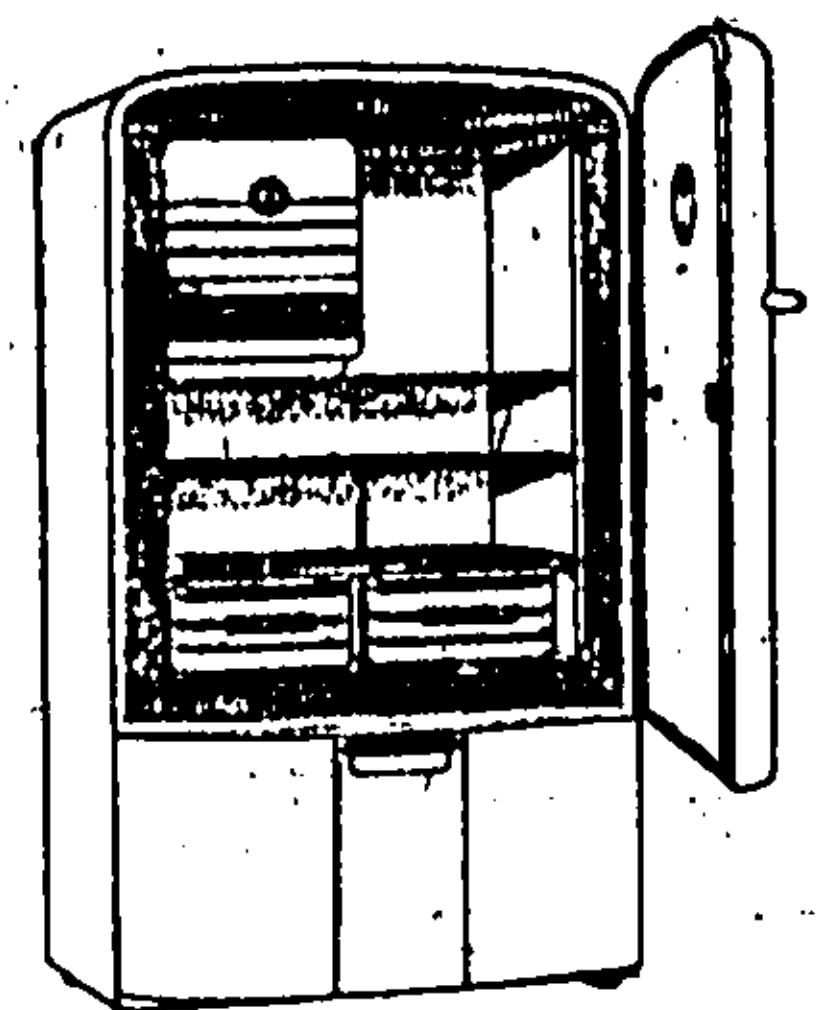
The Philippine motorship Bradeverett arrived here yesterday from Calcutta via China ports and will go to Kowloon. Docks for her annual refitting. The 4,000-ton vessel, the latest of the four sister ships bought by Everett Steamship Corporation from the American Maritime Commission, brought 1,100 tons of general cargo for the colony.

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By order of the Board of Directors.

G. MILNE Secretary

Hong Kong, 17th August, 1948.

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The draw for the above will take place at the Club House, Happy Valley, at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 14th September, 1948. Prior to the draw for ponies the Stewards will select by a draw a number of names of Subscribers equal to the number of ponies available.

Subscribers so drawn will participate in the draw for the ponies and they will be notified accordingly.

By Order, S. A. SLEAP, Acctg. Secretary.

Hong Kong, Thursday, 9th September, 1948.

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M. G. O'CONNOR, Acting Director of Education.

September, 7, 1948.

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## Hungarian Church Officials Arrested

Budapest, September 9. Three high-ranking Evangelical Church officials have been arrested for failing to report, as a "foreign asset," a US\$500,000 gift from the American Lutheran Society, the Hungarian Ministry of the Interior announced today.

The Ministry said the men were charged with "currency abuses" because they had not reported the gift to the Hungarian National Bank.

Officials announced that at least nine top lay church leaders had resigned as a result of Government demands for new leaders who are not "representatives of the past regime."

Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President of the Board of the American Lutheran Church, expressed fears in New York for the safety of the three high-ranking Lutheran Church officials.

## Tiny Fraction

Commenting on the Interior Ministry charges of a half million-dollar "gift" being unreported, Dr. Fry said, "No such gift has ever been made, solicited or contemplated."

He said the only money sent from America to the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hungary was a "tiny fraction of a half-million dollars," sent as a share from the Lutheran World Action worldwide church relief fund and cleared through the Hungarian National Bank. "It is very evident the present pressure on Church leaders results from their steady resistance to the government order for nationalization of all churches and schools in Hungary," said Dr. Fry.—United Press.

## CURRENCY WAR REACHING HK?

Shanghai, September 10. Maj. Gen. Chiang Ching-kuo's mission in breaking the biggest blackmarket currency ring today reached in an effort to lay hands on central figures.

No definite announcement was made but it is expected that the Chinese Government will open extradition proceedings for the return to China of Liang Yung-chun, manager of the China Trust Company, here who is believed now to be directing operations from the colony.—United Press.

## POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**  
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Canton, (Kowloon G.P.O.) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m. (U.P.O.)  
7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.  
Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m.  
(Ord.) 9.30 a.m.  
Airmail for Manila, P.I., Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m.  
(Ord.) 10 a.m.  
Airmail for Amoy, Shanghai, Hankow, Hankow, Tientsin and Peking; Airmail for Chungking, (Reg.) 9 a.m.  
(Ord.) 9.30 a.m.  
Airmail for Swatow and Foochow, (Reg.) 9 a.m.  
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Macao and Tientsin, 7.30 a.m.  
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Japan (Ord. Letters and Cards only).  
Shanghai, 10 a.m.  
Halifax, 10 a.m.  
Buenos Aires, 1 p.m.  
Macao and Tientsin, 2 p.m.  
Canton (Ord. class mail only), 3 p.m.  
Manila, 3 p.m.  
U.S.A., Canada and Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcel Post).  
Airmail for London, (Reg. and Reg.) 9 a.m.  
(Ord.) 9.30 a.m.  
Bangkok, 3 p.m.  
Straits, 3 p.m.  
Egypt, 3 p.m.  
Suez, 3 p.m.  
Kongkum (via Canton), 5 p.m.  
Canton (Parcel and 2nd class mail), 5 p.m.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**  
Closing Times by Air  
Canton, (Kowloon G.P.O.) 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., (U.P.O.) 9.30 a.m., Noon.  
Airmail for "Kunming" and "Cebu", (Reg.) 5 p.m., 11/9, (Ord.) 9 a.m., 12/9.  
Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Calcutta (Hawab), Johannesburg and Mandelays via Cairo, Rome and London, (Kowloon G.P.O.) (Reg.) 5 p.m., 11/9, (Ord.) 10 a.m., 12/9.  
G.P.O. (Reg.) 5 p.m., 11/9, (Ord.) 10 a.m., 12/9.  
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 5 p.m., 11/9, (Ord.) 10 a.m., 12/9.  
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## Hungary Cabinet Changes

Budapest, September 9. M. Ferenc Erdel, Secretary-General of the National Peasant Party has been named Minister of State without portfolio, it was learned here today.

M. Erdel, a one-time landless agricultural worker and self-taught intellectual, became well known before the war as a writer, he was recently under fire from the leaders of his own party, the Smallholders Party, and the Communists for a book he wrote on the future of the peasantry.

M. Erdel was Minister of the Interior in the first post-war Hungarian Government.

A writer, he is considered as the leading theoretician of the land workers movement before the war and is known as the most popular peasant leader in Hungary.

Observers here considered the choice of M. Erdel, a Communist of long standing, for the Defense Ministry an indication of the increasing importance attached to defence problems. The Commander-in-Chief of the Hungarian army said recently that the army would be reorganised as a "people's army" with modern weapons up to the full strength permitted by the peace treaty.—Heuter.



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S Q 3 H A K 8 7 6 2 D A Q 8 C J 6 S J 9 H Q J D K 10 7 S 6 5 3 2 C P 4 S 10 8 7 5 4 2 H 10 D J C A K Q 3 2

(Dealer: West, North-South vulnerable.)

West North East South  
Pass H 2 S  
Pass 3 H 2 S  
Pass 4 H 5 D 5 S

There was South in a makeable game contract, expertly bid. But he threw it away through not keeping his eyes open when "little" cards were played. West led the diamond 9 to the A. South's course refusing the finesse because of East's bidding. So he could lead trumps toward the Q, he came to his hand with the club 6 to the A and then led the spade 8. The K took it and

(Dealer: East, North-South vulnerable.)

What would you bid in the South over East's opening 1-Spade?

Tomorrow's Problem

S J 7 H A J 10 9 8 7 6 D 5 C 8 3 S Q 8 6 4 N E S A K 10 H Q 4 3 W E H K 5 2 D Q J 9 7 D 8 4 3 2 C None

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# BRITISH AIRCRAFT'S SUPERSONIC FLIGHT

London, September 9.

A British experimental jet aircraft, a De Havilland 108, has flown faster than sound, according to the Ministry of Supply announcement tonight. The speed achieved was not disclosed, but it was believed to be around 700 miles per hour. The official announcement said: "In the course of recent high-speed development trials on the De Havilland 108 research aircraft, an apparent much number in excess of one has been recorded."

The pilot was Mr. John Derry. A much number—named for the late Dr. Ernest Mach of Vienna—is a means of expressing speed in relation to the velocity of sound. A Mach number of 1 indicates the speed of sound, 700 miles an hour at sea level, decreasing with altitude to 660 miles per hour at 40,000 feet.

Thus this is the first British official claim that a piloted aircraft has broken through the sonic barrier. Since the altitude at which the flight was made was not disclosed tonight, the actual speed of flight was unknown, but it was believed by one expert that the flight was made at a high altitude.

The aircraft is a tailless monoplane with swept-back wings powered by a De Havilland "Goblin" jet-engine. The world speed record is now 660.798 miles per hour but on September 5, Major Richard Johnson, of the United States Air Force, claimed to have achieved 669 mph in a fully-armed jet fighter. The official timing cameras did not obtain sufficient records to give an official figure for this flight.

## American Claim

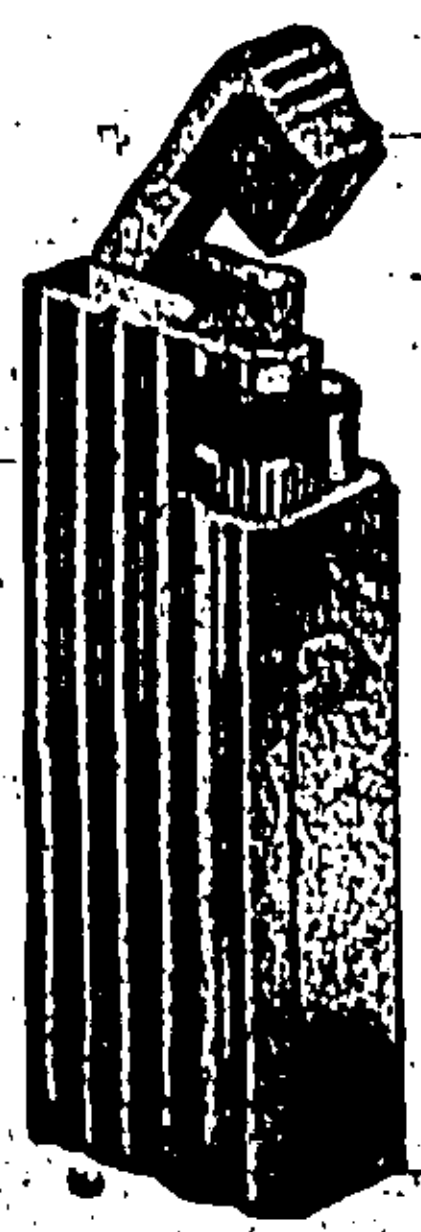
The United States Secretary for Air, Mr. W. Stuart Symington, told a Washington press conference on June 10 that a United States Air Force research plane "has flown much faster than the speed of sound many times." He refused any information about the speeds attained.

## RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.  
12.35 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra and Keith Falkner (Chorale).  
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.  
1.25 p.m.—"Pan American".  
1.40 p.m.—"Jam Session" presented by Philip Barn (Studio).  
2.00 p.m.—Class Dance.  
2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
2.10 p.m.—Norman Chatter Orchestra.  
2.25 p.m.—A Light Spanish Programme with The Gals (Voice).  
2.45 p.m.—Edna De Pace at the Piano (Studio).  
3.00 p.m.—"Gala Request" Linda Carter Calhoun—N.Y. and Phil (Studio).  
3.05 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).  
3.15 p.m.—"Stargate Round-Up" An interview with a famous musician John Barth (Studio).  
3.30 p.m.—Merry (and Round) Melodies (HITS).  
3.50 p.m.—Berthel: "Herald in Italy". Dr. H. Williams (Prisoner) (Voice) and the London Symphony Orchestra.  
4.15 p.m.—"The Man from Hutton Garden". A series of adventures about previous stories by Charles Hutton. Adventure 12: "The Huttons' Dilemma" (HITS).  
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).  
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.  
10.16 p.m.—"Gala Request" and Dance Music.  
11.00 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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## King And Queen Visit Braemar

Braemar, Aberdeenshire, September 9.

Fine weather favoured the visit of the King and Queen to Braemar today. There were between 25,000 and 30,000 visitors and in the vast crowds were many visitors from abroad lending a cosmopolitan touch to the highland gathering in this picturesque Dorside village.

The Princess Royal Park made a natural arena for the sports events and thousands watched the proceedings from the surrounding heather-covered hills and knolls. As the Royal Party approached the entrance to the Park from Ralmoral Castle the cheering events and the traditional Braemar greeting of a blast of malar horns from many hundreds of cars and coaches parked around the arena.—Reuter.

## AN AIRCRAFT "DISAPPEARS"

London, September 9.

The Ministry of Civil Aviation disclosed today that a Mosquito fighter bomber was "missing" from Britain, thus bringing to five the total number of former British war planes believed to have been spirited out of the country without official permission.

The disappearance of four Beaufighters by means of an elaborate hoax was revealed in London yesterday. It was believed that the planes may have been flown to Palestine.

A Ministry spokesman said that the Mosquito plane was reported to have "disappeared" on July 5, after it had taken off from Cambridge on a flight to Exeter and did not land at its destination. The "biplane" had no certificate of airworthiness and special permission was granted by the Ministry of Civil Aviation for the plane to make what was represented to be a "delivery flight" on July 5.

The Ministry of Civil Aviation said today that the Mosquito now reported missing was sold by the Ministry of Supply to a concern known as V.I.P. Services, and resold by them to a Mr. White. A famous wartime British bomber pilot, holder of the Victoria Cross, was stated to have been instrumental in establishing the V.I.P. Services. A Ministry of Supply spokesman stated that this pilot had been concerned in the sale of two Mosquitos by the Ministry in October, 1946.

## Police At Work

Scotland Yard have asked the Continental police to help in tracing the missing planes. An official of the Buckinghamshire airfield from which the Beaufighters disappeared said that they were bought by a "man of

## Moslem Malays Persecuted

Kuala Lumpur, September 9.

Persecution of Moslem Malays by Blameless in Southern Blam was alleged by 18 Malays who landed from a native craft near the Malayan frontier yesterday. Reports from Northern Kelantan (in the Malay Peninsula adjoining Blam), quoted the Malays, as saying that they had fled from Patani Province, on the other side of the border after a Malay had been shot by a Blameless police in Teluban on Friday.

The Malays said a new phase of persecution had begun soon after the recent inspection of the Southern Blameless provinces by Lieutenant-General Luang Chantarakrob, Siam's Defence Minister, when they said, he warned 300 Malays to leave themselves and not to join an nationalist movement.—Reuter.

## YUGOSLAV NOTE IRKS RUMANIA

London, September 10.

The Rumanian Government on Thursday dismissed as "slandorous and libelous" a note from Yugoslavia, received on August 25, asserting that Rumanian leaders seek to overthrow the Marshal Tito regime.

The news agency Tanjug said that Rumania's note in reply was handed to the Yugoslav Charge d'Affaires in Bucharest on Thursday by the Rumanian Foreign Ministry.

Rumanian officials said that the Yugoslav communication consists from beginning to end of false and slanderous affirmations, and was an attempt to

challenge the right of politicians in Rumania to express their opinions freely.

The Yugoslavs contended that Anna Pauker, Rumanian Foreign Minister and other state officials had called upon Yugoslavians to revolt and overthrow their legal Government which means Marshal Tito and his Yugoslav Communist party followers.

The text of the note as broadcast by the Rumanian telegraph agency, declared that Yugoslavians' protest was an attempt to protect the present leaders of the Yugoslav Communist party from criticism.

It said "the Rumanian Government cannot forbid its members from participating in the work of those party organisations of which they are members and similarly cannot forbid them from making political declarations on instructions of these organisations."

## Looks To Russia

Yugoslavia has publicly protested ever since its breach with the Cominform that it still looked to Russia for leadership. However, the Soviet Union's "Pravda" made the breach official this week by joining openly in the knuckling rapping of Marshal Tito, which up to now had been carried on by other nations in the Cominform.

Thursday's note said Rumania "indignantly protests against the insults and lying affirmations" against its officials contained in the August 25 communication from Yugoslavia. "The Rumanian Government," the note said "rejects the accusation that Rumanian politicians, press or radio have waged or are waging a campaign against the Yugoslav people or the Yugoslav Federal Peoples Republic."—Associated Press.

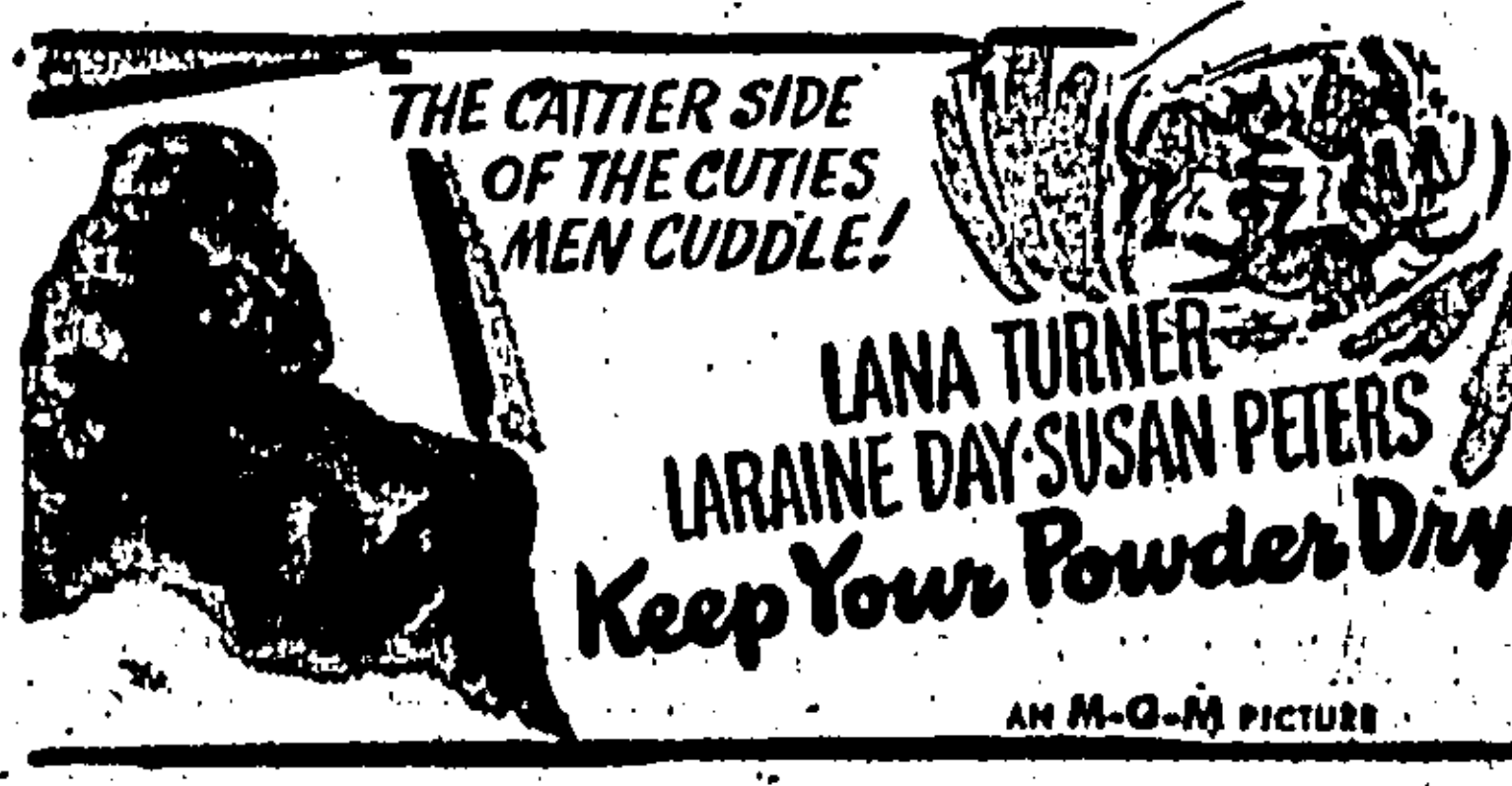
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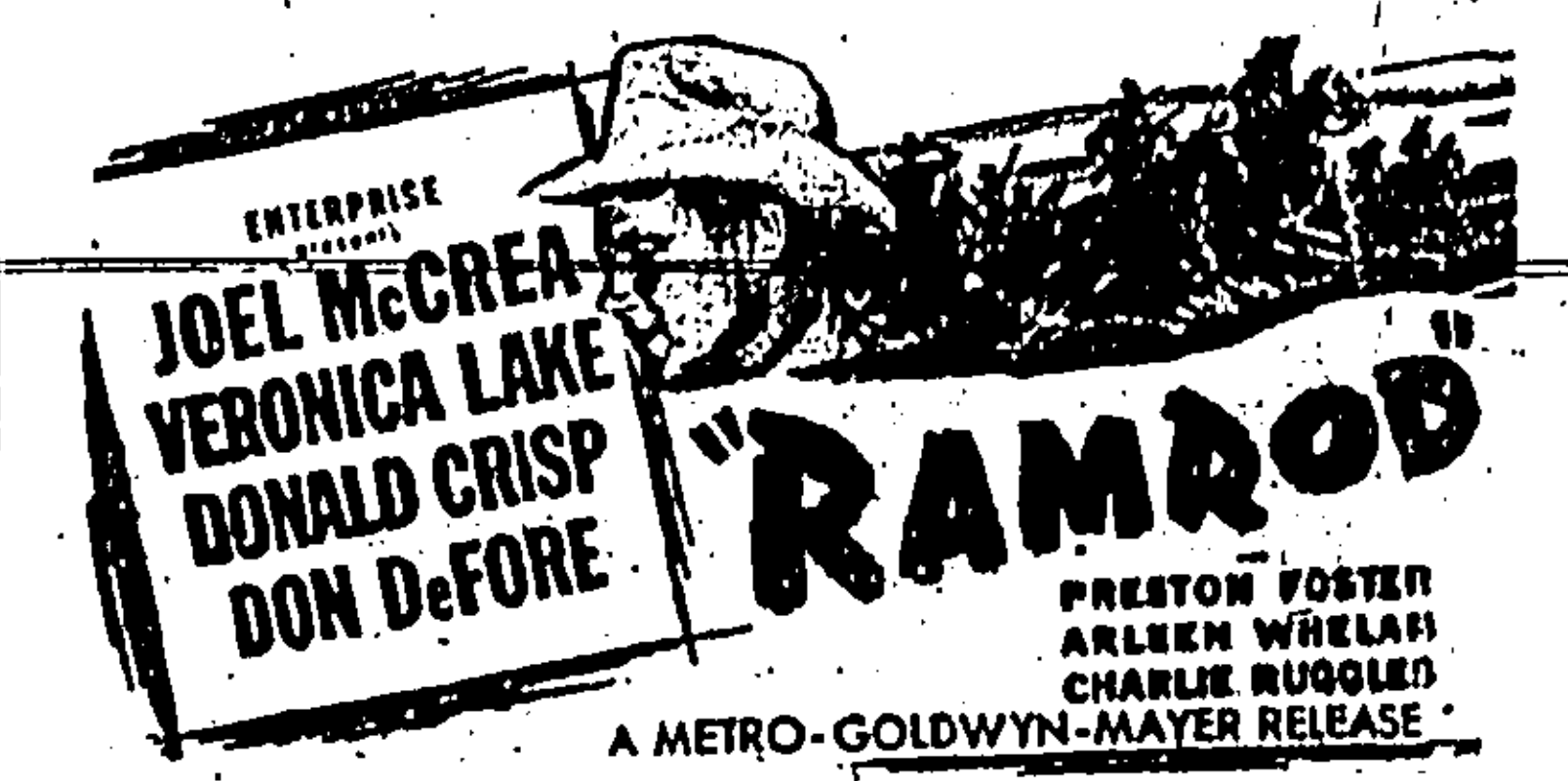
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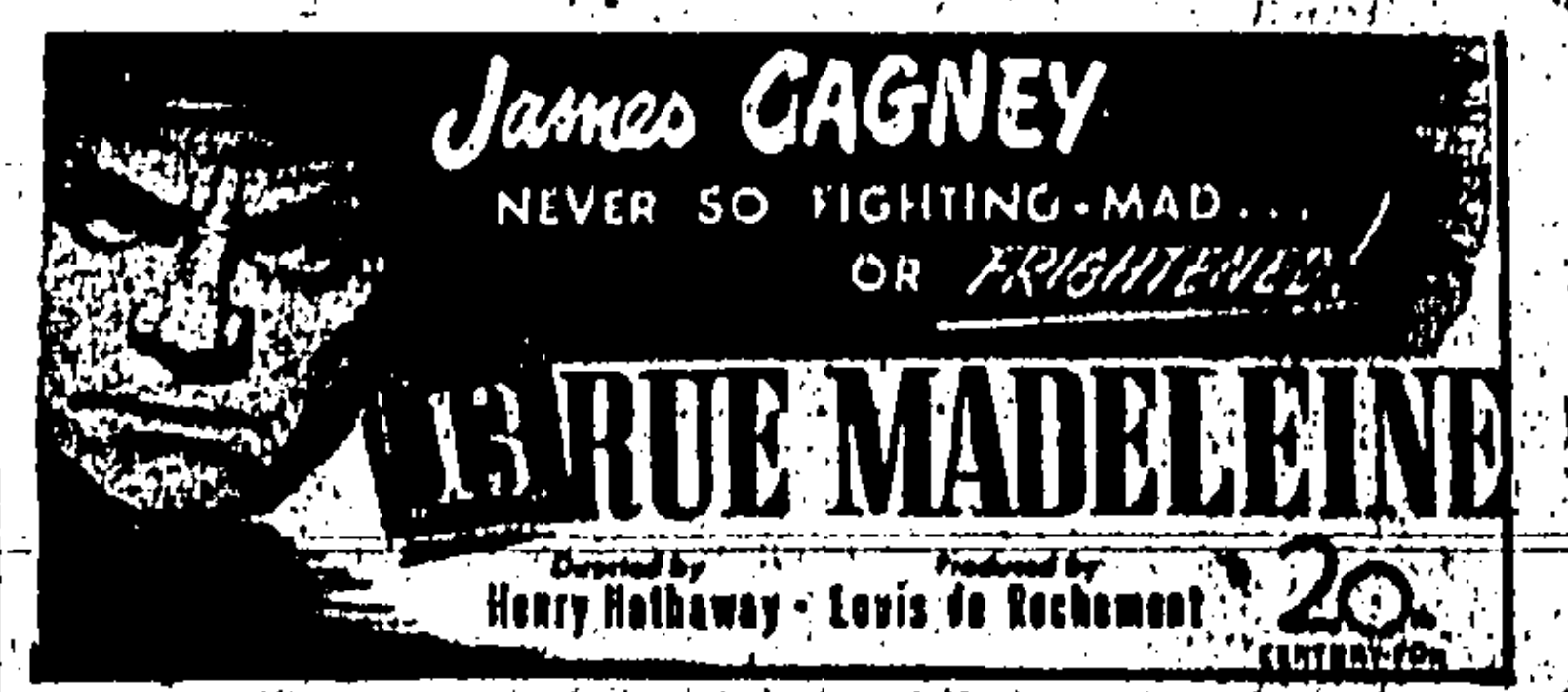
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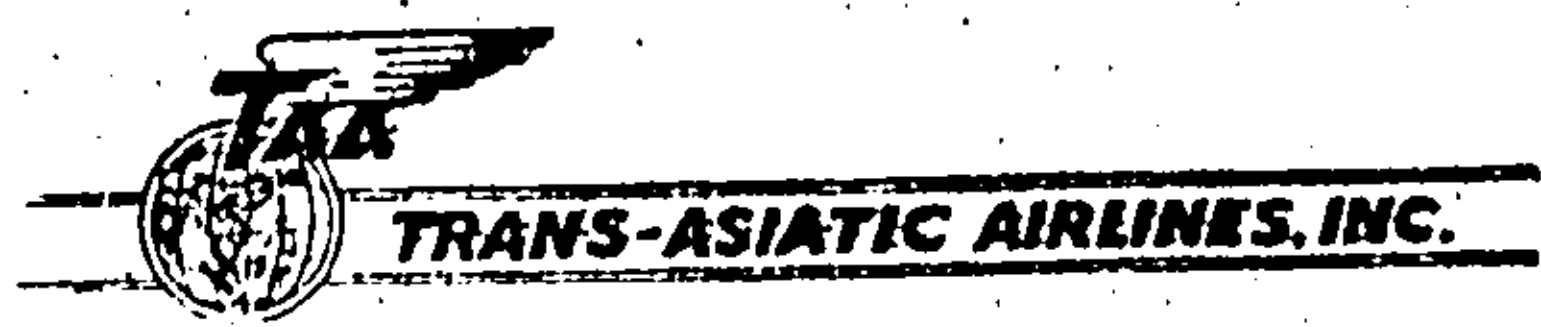
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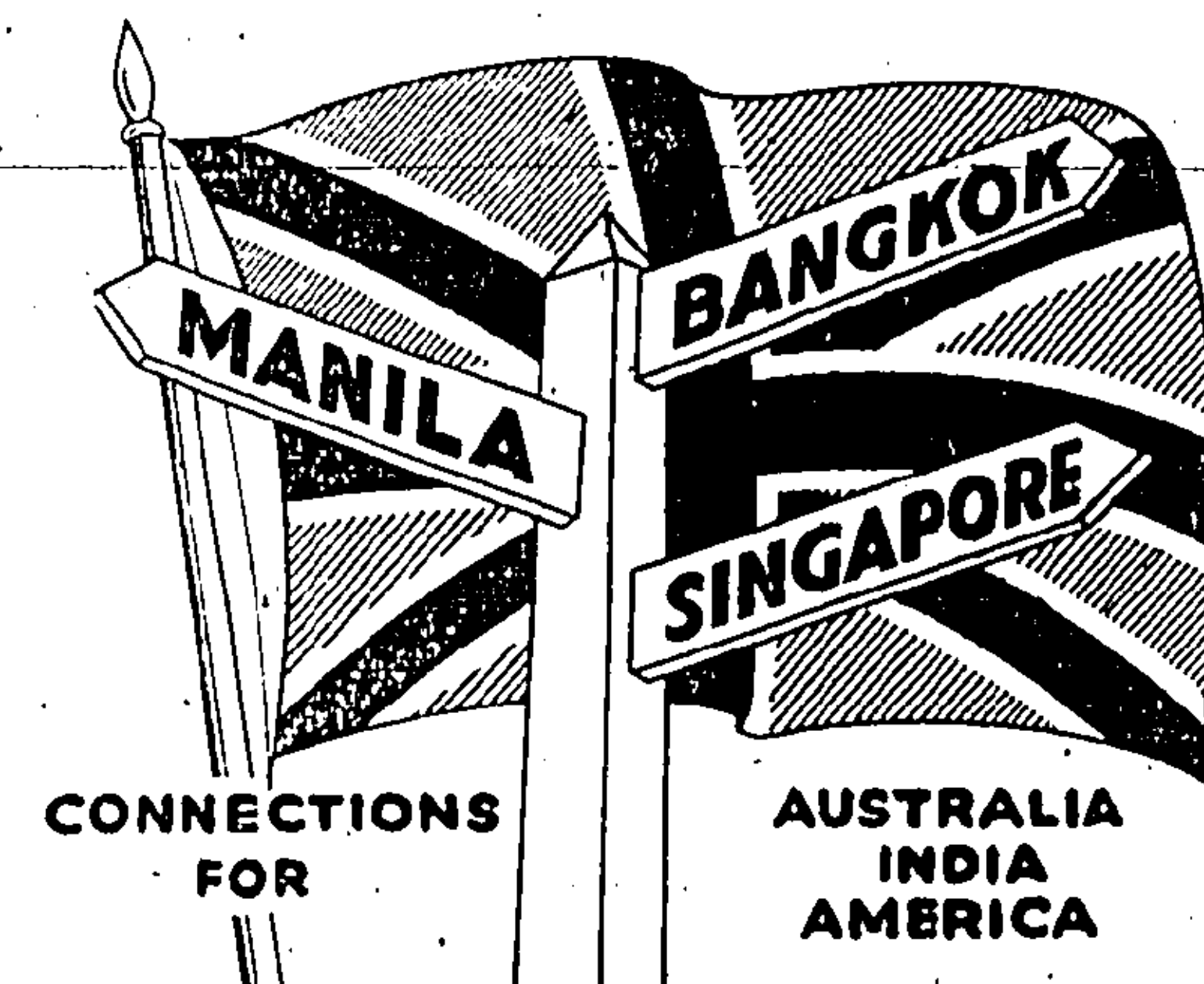
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BUNN, Al St. Theresa's Hospital, Kowloon, on September 10, 1948, to Mr. (now Kennedy), wife of P. P. Bunn, the gift of a son, Richard Gordon. Shanghai papers please copy.

## COLOSSAL

The proprietors of hotels and boarding-houses will undoubtedly breathe a little more easily this morning on reading the announcement that the Competent Authority for the fixing of hotel rates has been advised to take no action against management for failure to comply during the last 41 days with the controlled rates published on August 1. The letter despatched to them yesterday was ambiguous. It could have been read to mean that the original Order was to be entirely ignored, or be regarded as ineffective until November 1, 1948. It was also capable of interpretation as meaning that the August 1 Order was suspended as from September 10, and that the rates fixed by the Competent Authority on August 1 must be regarded as governing the period of 41 days until September 10. Legally, there appears to be no doubt of the accuracy of the latter construction. There has been, in fact, an administrative blunder of the first order. The Government had every intention of suspending the original order, but failed to follow established legal procedure for its modification, and ignored the fact that the powers to make or modify had been invested in an individual—hence the flap.

It is, of course, impossible to quarrel with the Government's directive to the Competent Authority to take no action, however disappointing this may appear to hotel residents, especially those who directed attention to the Government's breezy manner of ignoring its own Gazette. Any other course would have created a troublesome mess which would have taken cooler heads to handle than the Colony appears to possess. Beyond question, it was the full intention of Government that the Order issued by the Competent Authority to take effect on August 1 should be suspended until such time as the Report of the Committee set up to re-examine the question of hotel rates had reported. That is the important thing. Late in the day, a vital omission has been discovered, and it becomes necessary to rectify. The method chosen is ordinary commonsense. If there is something wrong, it lies in the revelation that an elementary principle could be so easily overlooked. Government comes out of the episode with an exceedingly red face.

## N.Z. Pound

London reports show that the decision of New Zealand to put the New Zealand pound on par again with pound Sterling came as a complete surprise to London. There had been no hint that anything was in the wind. New Zealand has found herself with a substantial favourable balance of trade, in spite of large imports of capital equipment. Prices obtainable in local currency

Australia Plans Big  
Welcome For The  
Royal Visitors

The majority of Australia's 7,000,000 people last week heard special bulletins giving details of the Royal tour of Australia next year. I do not think anything has given them more pleasure and excitement since the news of Japan's collapse in the Pacific war.

The tour will begin for the Royal Party on the morning of April 4. After breakfast they will have their first glimpse of one of the world's great sights as the Vanguard steams through the gap in Sydney's yellow-grey sandstone cliffs and the magnificent harbour suddenly comes into full view.

The Royal visitors' drive to Government House will be conducted to take the Queen through Sydney's Gardens and Hyde Park.

There will be roses in hundreds of thousands, because they are said to be the Queen's favourite flowers, and annuins in delicate blue and pink pastels, her favourite colours.

The Royal party will hardly have time to get their land-legs



ROYAL TOUR VISIT DATES ARE SHOWN ON THIS MAP

gymkhana, Hampstead Heath, the B.I.F. and a Wild-West show. There will be special jumping and sheep drafting exhibitions.

After a fortnight's touring in New South Wales they will travel 300 miles by train to the tropical North.

The tour of South Australia, which follows will be interrupted for a visit north-east to Broken Hill, the fantastic mining town in the flat desert of New South Wales.

The King and Queen will see real desolation on the next stage of the journey between Adelaide and Perth.

They will cross hundreds of empty miles on the plain, where there is no sign of life.

On the western edge of this lost land they will stop briefly at Kalbarrie, the famous gold-mining town which is still very much like the Wild West.

The Golden Mile is as active as ever, and its gold is assisting the British Government to secure American exchange.

Perth, capital of Western Australia, and home of the celebrated black swans, is journey's end.

After a procession and reception in Brisbane they will go along the Queensland coast through cane fields, bananas and pineapple plantations, and the goldfield of Charters Towers.

There will be a two-day private visit to the Barrier Reef, just off the coast at Townsville, Queensland.

The weather should be glorious then, so there will be plenty of opportunities for swimming and sunbathing. Turtles can be seen swimming above the reef, with bright tropical fish.

On May 1 the Royal party leaves the tropics and steams southward to the edge of the Southern Polar ocean at Hobart, Tasmania.

The next long journey is across the stormy Bass Strait to Melbourne.

London, September 9. Savings of some kind are expected by the end of the year, according to a survey conducted for the National Savings Committee by Social Surveys Limited.

The survey was based on 2,000 interviews among people of all ages, incomes and occupations in 67 localities.

The report issued today states that 47 per cent of the adults agreed the main reason for the fall in the level of National savings is the cost of living. Another 14 per cent mentioned inadequate income while only four per cent mention Government sentiment.—Reuter.

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OPIUM IS NOT  
HARD TO GET

Singapore, September 9.

The foreign tourist who wants to be able to tell the boys back home that he has sampled a little of this wicked city's illicit delights can, for the moderate expenditure of one dollar Straits currency (about 50 U.S. cents) sample a whiff of opium in almost any one of Singapore's thousand odd smoking dens.

Under the law, possession of the drug, pipes, lamps and the other paraphernalia connected with smoking is an offence punishable by imprisonment, but the law is ignored by the city's myriads of smokers who estimated their own numbers at 70,000.

Assuming that every smoker's daily consumption averages \$5, Singapore's daily opium bill amounts to the staggering sum of \$350,000 most of which goes into the capacious pockets of smugglers, den-keepers, extortioners, "protection" men, and revenue officer and police. Nothing goes to the Government by way of tax.

A typical den consists of a small room containing four roomy bunks, each bunk accommodating three men lying down. The smokers smoke triangular fashion, one preparing the drug, one smoking and one resting between indulgence.

So plentiful are supplies of smuggled opium that den-keepers are ever on the look out for new victims and youths and girls are sometimes offered free smokes in order to make them become addicts. Like the American boy's first cigar, a single smoke of opium may not result in ill effects but a beginner taking two smokes consecutively unusually experienced extreme nausea and sometimes retching.

Owners of dens do not themselves operate them, but employ for that purpose a young man or woman. There is little attempt at concealment and prices are posted in cryptic and in Chinese characters, on the wall.—United Press.

Funnel Afire  
In River Ship

Over-heating caused a small fire in the funnel of the river motor vessel Hudson off Green Island yesterday, on her arrival here from Canton.

The 250-ton vessel, bringing 150 tons of general cargo, including fire crackers, for the wings of the gods, is operating the Hong Kong-Canton run of the Tak Kee Company. She has an all-Chinese crew of 48.

"STAND UP  
FOR OUR  
RIGHTS"

Washington, September 9. President Truman today proclaimed America's determination to "stand up for our rights" in Berlin.

The President claimed that the Russians were indulging in "attempts to duress" but insisted that "we are not negotiating under duress."

"Mr. Truman" began his press conference on the Berlin crisis by giving his unqualified backing to the Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall's, assertion yesterday that the current developments in the German capital should be "firmly resisted."

"We are still standing up for our rights in Berlin," the President said in a firm voice. "We are doing everything we can by negotiation."

"We will not negotiate under duress. We are not negotiating under duress, and we will continue negotiating, always hoping that we can get peace."

Four-Power Talks  
Mr. Truman's firm statement apparently reflected the United States Government's determination to keep the current four-power talks in Berlin and Moscow going.

Earlier today, press reports here had speculated on the possibility of an early collapse of these negotiations. The fact that the Military Governors in Berlin had reported little progress and that no further meetings were scheduled in Moscow were said to support this fear.

Mr. Truman's reiteration that the Western Allies were not now negotiating under duress followed a similar statement made by Mr. Marshall yesterday.

The interpretation placed on them here was that the Communist-led demonstrations in Berlin were regarded as a definite attempt to break the four-power discussions, but the United States refused to be away from its earlier course by them.

In Paris, a French Foreign Office spokesman said tonight that a number of divergent points existed in the reports of the three Western Military Governors on their negotiations in Berlin.

London and Washington were being contacted, he added.—Reuter.

FATHER ACCUSED OF  
WHIPPING YOUNG MAN

Ashford, September 9.

A wealthy City Councillor and company director, Mr. Horace Isaac Caro, was committed for trial at Ashford, Kent, today after ten magistrates had heard the story of an alleged whipping he gave to his daughter's lover.

The Kent Assize Court will hear the case on November 18.

Caro's counsel had said that his client would elect to go for trial if the magistrates found a prima facie case. A riding whip with leather thong was produced in court.

The prosecuting counsel, Mr. K. Round, said that Kenneth Coates, a 24-year-old former Royal Air Force officer, alleged that Caro inflicted grievous bodily harm on him on June 11.

Caro was the father of a girl of 20, a film actress known as Jackie Henderson. Mr. Round said that in April this year Coates formed an association with the girl and later she became pregnant.

The prosecutor summarised the evidence that would be given. He said that on July 11 Caro said that he wanted to talk to Coates. They went by car to a limousine, of which Caro was Managing Director. There, Caro produced from the car a brown paper parcel and a pair of gloves. When Coates obeyed his order to take off his coat and shoes Caro raised his hands in a fighting attitude.

Would Not Fight  
Mr. Round, continuing, said that Coates declined to fight in spite of a rain of blows from Caro.

Caro, it was alleged, then produced a horse whip from the brown paper parcel and, the prosecutor said, "opened a most violent and legally unjustifiable assault on Coates for approximately three minutes, at the end of which time Caro withdrew exhausted."

Coates in his evidence to the court said that he was intimate with Miss Caro on several occasions. He added: "I did not seduce her. There was willing co-operation."

He told the court that Caro before the whipping told him to "watch out for your face."

Coates added: "He lashed out with the whip and hit my back, arms, legs and my face." He also said that Caro produced an automatic pistol after the whipping and said: "If you had been awkward or unpleasant it would have been the worse for you, because I had brought this to deal with you."—Reuter.

Japan Electric Union  
Threatens Black-Out

Tokyo, September 9.

Leaders of the All-Japan Electrical Workers Union today threatened a black-out strike as semi-government power generation and distribution companies management refused to meet their wage demands.

They already have sent instructions to workers in Kanto, or east Central Honshu, including Tokyo and Yokohama areas, to prepare for black-out tactics.

The union suggested for mediation by the Central Labour Minister. Mr. Kanju Kato, warned severe punishment might be in store for them in view of the reported Allied Headquarters Labour Section officials' suggestion that the electrical workers should not strike for this time being pending further negotiations.

No Funds  
Union leaders said they had no money to carry out a black-out strike. They had to carry it out on their own.

The Union in 1946 threatened a nationwide black-out but resorted only to periodic stoppage of power due to inability to sue for power to Allied installations.

Electrical workers are at present getting a monthly basic pay of 7,000 yen—about US\$20 under the new army conversion rate—United Press.

DR. MCGOWAN  
DIES AT LEEDS  
Dr. Henry McGowan, Bishop of Wakefield, died at hospital here last night at the age of 74. He had been in the hospital since July 1947.

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# BERLINERS FIRED ON

## Soviet Flag Torn From Gate

### RUSSIANS SHOOT FROM JEEP

Berlin, September 9.

Russian Tommy-guns tonight fired into a crowd of Berliners after demonstrators had torn down the Soviet flag during an anti-Communist rally—a quarter of a million strong—in the British sector.

According to German sources, two demonstrators climbed to the top of the Brandenburg Gate from the British side of the sector boundary and tore down the Russian flag marking the beginning of Soviet-controlled territory.

A Russian jeep, containing an officer and two Tommy-guns who had earlier been stoned in front of the Russian war memorial in the British sector, drove at full speed to the gate.

The two demonstrators had disappeared into the crowd and one Tommy-gun fired forward as the jeep drove into the Russian sector, the other firing back into the British sector.

So far as was known, one elderly German was shot in the leg and taken to hospital. Meanwhile, about 10,000 pro-Western demonstrators had gathered outside the Allied Control Authority building in the American sector where the chairman of the three pro-Western parties, Herr Eugen Neumann, handed in a protest to Allied liaison officers.

Herr Neumann, the city's Social Democratic leader, told the crowd that the memorandum presented to the Allied liaison officers set out details of political suppression in the Russian sector.

Major General Neville Brownjohn, the British Deputy Military Governor, arrived at the Soviet war memorial shortly after the shooting to assess the situation.

#### Conference

A few minutes earlier, British and Russian officers had conferred there, the senior Russian officer present, Lieutenant Colonel Baryukin, admitting that three troops had been fired.

He said that the names of the soldiers responsible would be given to the British authorities as soon as they had been ascertained.

Pointing to the crowd of Germans still standing near the monument, Colonel Baryukin said: "We hold the British authorities responsible for the safety of the Germans here."

The British officer gave him the assurance that demanded that all Russian military personnel who did not form part of the guard of honour at the war memorial should be withdrawn.

Meanwhile, a brand new Red flag was hoisted on top of the Gate, which is considered in the Soviet sector.

The Russian jeep had been stoned just before the flag incident. When a stone smashed the windshield, the crowd closed in and British military police surrounded the jeep. More stones were thrown.

A Russian Tommy-gunner stood up in the back seat and brandished his gun. He sat down after British military police had asked him not to incite the crowd.

#### Crowd Cheers

The crowd cheered and booed as five more Tommy-guns appeared from their guard-room and ran down the marble steps of the memorial towards the jeep.

The demonstrators moved back after an unknown German had appealed to them for discipline.

Finally, British military police pushed the crowd back from the monument. The Germans climbed onto barriers and drove away cheering and waving their hats at the Russian soldiers still standing there.

Stones lay scattered in the road behind them, and also around the Russian memorial.

For hours during the afternoon, Berliners had massed in the bright sunshine in the Platz Der Republik, only 100 yards from the Soviet sector, to hear the anti-Communist demonstration.

It was later established that the demonstrators had overturned a Soviet jeep while the British-licensed German news agency said that Eastern sector policemen near the Brandenburg Gate had told the agency that two of their colleagues had been stoned to death.

#### Death Reported

A German civilian was reported to have died from shot wounds in a hospital in the French sector, where a doctor said that three other Germans had been admitted with shot wounds.

The British public safety headquarters said afterwards that the situation around the Platz Der Republik was now "completely under control."

The scene of the incident was almost back to normal at 10.15 p.m. last time and the crowd had dispersed on both British and Russian sides of the Gate.

The demonstrators who marched to the Allied Control Authority building had also gone.

The British-licensed German news service said a "number of persons" were injured when the police fired. DENA, the American licensed news service, added that one man, said to have been shot in the stomach, was reported to have died.

The Russian controlled Berlin Radio, in a version of the incidents, said police fired "warning shots" when some Berlin "youths" threw stones at them from the linings of the American Embassy at the Brandenburg Gate.

Several policemen were injured and a number of persons were arrested, the Radio said. It made no mention of today's anti-Communist demonstration, but said that some Berlin youths marched towards the Lustgarten, where preparations were going on for a meeting on Sunday of the "victims of Fascism."

After "provoking" the police and throwing stones at them from the Linings of the Radio, the youths withdrew to the Brandenburg Gate, where they "disobeyed" an order to disperse and continued throwing stones at the police.

#### Many Arrests

DENA said that between 20 to 30 people were arrested and taken, with 10 injured, to the Soviet sector in a truck. It also quoted "reports by witnesses" that Colonel Paul Markgraf, the Soviet police chief, personally directed the police at the Brandenburg Gate.

DDP, the British-licensed German news service, said that clashes between Berliners and Russian police occurred at the Lustgarten, where a number of police were beaten up.

At 8.15 p.m. the British military police cordon round the Russian memorial had been withdrawn, but about 20 military police remained with an armed car still standing nearby.

The Eastern police cordon had also been withdrawn, but eight Russian jeeps loaded with Tommy-guns were standing by just on the Russian side of the boundary.

Soviet Germans were still on the streets in the neighbourhood. They were many standing at the new Russian flag.

Another incident was reported by DENA tonight. The agency said that British military police tonight rescued two Western policemen from a kidnapping attempt by three Russian officers and a Russian soldier near the Reichstag building.

The policemen fought back fiercely when the Russians pounced on them from a van, the agency said.

When the British jeep containing military police appeared, the Russians roared at full speed through the Tiergarten district towards the Russian sector.

Several British vehicles joined in the chase, which was hot and furious, but the van finally eluded them, the agency added.

#### Suhr Accuses

At the anti-Communist demonstration in the Platz Der Republik, Dr. Otto Suhr, Chairman of the Berlin Municipal Council, accused the Russians of "paving the way" for the recent City Hall incidents when Communist demonstrators prevented the Council from holding its meetings.

He charged that the Russians had abolished in their sector the self-administration provided for in the Constitution, depriving a million Berliners of their liberty.

Herr Ernst Reuter, elected Lord Mayor in 1949, but banned by the Russians from taking up the post, told the crowd, "Berlin has become a bulwark of freedom. Should Berlin be abandoned, that would mean democracy had been abandoned in the world."

"Americans, Frenchmen and Englishmen—look well at Berlin," he added. "You cannot abandon this city. You must stay here until the battle against the powers of darkness has been won."

Dr. Friedensburg, acting Lord Mayor of Berlin, told the meeting: "The City Administration must stay in the City Hall in the Soviet sector of the city in spite of all the difficulties."

"By staying here we protect the interests of the democratic population of the Russian sector," (The City Assembly is now meeting in the British sector).

Dr. Suhr said that Berliners

#### Later Report

Berlin, September 10. One person was killed and 22 injured by bullets and stones during a bloody street clash on Thursday night between Berlin civilians and Russian troops, supported by Eastern Berlin police.

Two clashes occurred near the historic Brandenburg Gate after 200,000 Germans had demonstrated in a nearby square against the Communist drive for power over the blockaded city.

British sector police headquarters said six of the injured civilians, including three with gunfire wounds, were in British sector hospitals.

The Deputy Police chief of the Soviet sector said five of his policemen were injured, one seriously. In addition, he said, approximately 10 police suffered abrasions from stones and one woman received an arm injury.

The demonstration dwarfed all previous rallies in post-war Berlin. The Communist-sponsored Socialist Unity Party called on the "workers of Berlin" on Thursday night to mass for a big counter-rally at noon on Sunday.

Associated Press.

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## West Pessimistic About East-West Agreement

London, September 9.

The capitals of the Western nations were depressed today about the deteriorating Berlin situation and pessimistic about the chances of an East-West agreement.

The pause in the four Power negotiations on Berlin unfortunately coincides with what the West considers "planned" campaigns of rioting and hoodlomanism in Berlin designed to disrupt the talks.

One authoritative source said: "It is within Russia's power as the occupying power to stop the rioting which has kept Berlin in a turmoil. Russia's failure to stop it casts great doubts about Soviet sincerity in seeking a four-Power settlement."

Another extremely well qualified Western source said that the situation in Berlin has deteriorated to its worst yet and that for the moment, hope for agreement with Russia is practically nil in contrast to the cautious optimism of a few weeks ago.

This source pointed out that the present tension had eased and the Russians had cracked down on the Berlin Communists, but there was no assurance that the same thing wouldn't erupt in a week or when it suited the Soviet Union strategy.

He added: "To those who follow Berlin developments closely, it is extremely disquieting."

At the moment, the West is fearful that the "working agreement" of accepting the principle of living and let live may even be impossible to arrange with the Russians.

#### Time Factor

Ironically, both East and West have time on their hands in certain aspects of this crisis and time against them in other ways.

With the approach of winter, it is essential for the West to reach some modus vivendi with the Russians on transportation into Berlin. The air lift will continue and can continue to supply such essentials as food, medicines, etc. But it cannot possibly supply Western Berlin's

"do not want anything but to be left in peace, so that we can work in peace." We want nothing but freedom so that we can fight for freedom in Germany and in Berlin."

Dr. Suhr also accused General Alexander Kotikov, the Russian Commandant, of "opening a path for the disturbance of peace by refusing to establish a neutral zone round the City Hall."

"Today, the 250,000 Berliners gathered on this traditional place of right and freedom give their answer to General Kotikov."

"We reply by accusing. We charge that the self-administration provided by the Constitution has been abolished in the Soviet sector. We charge that 1,000,000 Berliners in that sector are deprived of their liberty."

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## BRITAIN OBJECTS TO AMERICAN PROPOSAL

London, September 9.

An authoritative British source said today that Britain had objected to an American proposal to call off the scheduled dismantlement of many industries in Western Germany.

The plants were to have been torn down for reparations under a programme agreed on by the Allied victors.

The Foreign Office refused to comment on reports that a protest was entered, but other sources said Britain's point of view was made known to Secretary of State George Marshall in Washington by British Ambassador Sir Oliver Franks on Tuesday.

The United States last week announced it had asked Britain and France for their views on curtailing the dismantlement programme on the grounds that this would benefit the European Recovery Programme.

According to the authoritative informant the British, after consulting with the French, formed the view that to reopen the question would undermine existing European fears of Germany's industrial war potential.

The US suggestion that by removing West Germany's industrial plants its ERP would be detrimentally affected was reported disputed by the British.

Potential Still There Sir Oliver Franks was said to have made the point that withdrawal of Germany's industrial potential to countries which will receive them as reparations did not eliminate that potential. It merely transferred it to more trustworthy countries which anyway are participating in ERP.

Germany's industrial equipment is distributed as reparations through the Brussels based, Inter-Allied Reparations Agency. The only three countries outside ERP which are represented on the Agency are Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Albania—Associated Press.

Gunmen last night entered an estate bungalow in the Teluk Anson area, fired at two European assistants but missed. The gunmen escaped.

Armed and uniformed terrorists last night abducted a rubber planter, Wong Yew Poh, in the Pontian district. The planter is reported to have been murdered.

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## SHOULD "BOMB" RUSSIA

Los Angeles, September 9.

The United States should "bomb" Russia with a huge batch of propaganda leaflets even if some airmen were shot down on the mission, Mr. James Roosevelt, the eldest son of the late President Roosevelt, suggested today.

In an address to the Exchange Club, he said that reaching the Russian people direct was the greatest task facing non-residents.

"We should be so bold as to build fleets of long-distance bombers and drop all over Russia the greatest amount of propaganda leaflets ever dropped on any country," he added.

Mr. Roosevelt, who is a Democratic National Committeeman, said that there was a risk of some airmen being shot down on such a mission, but he "certainly hoped and trusted that the Russians would not be that foolish."

"However, it is much better to run a risk of being killed in the interests of peace than in war," he said—Reuter.

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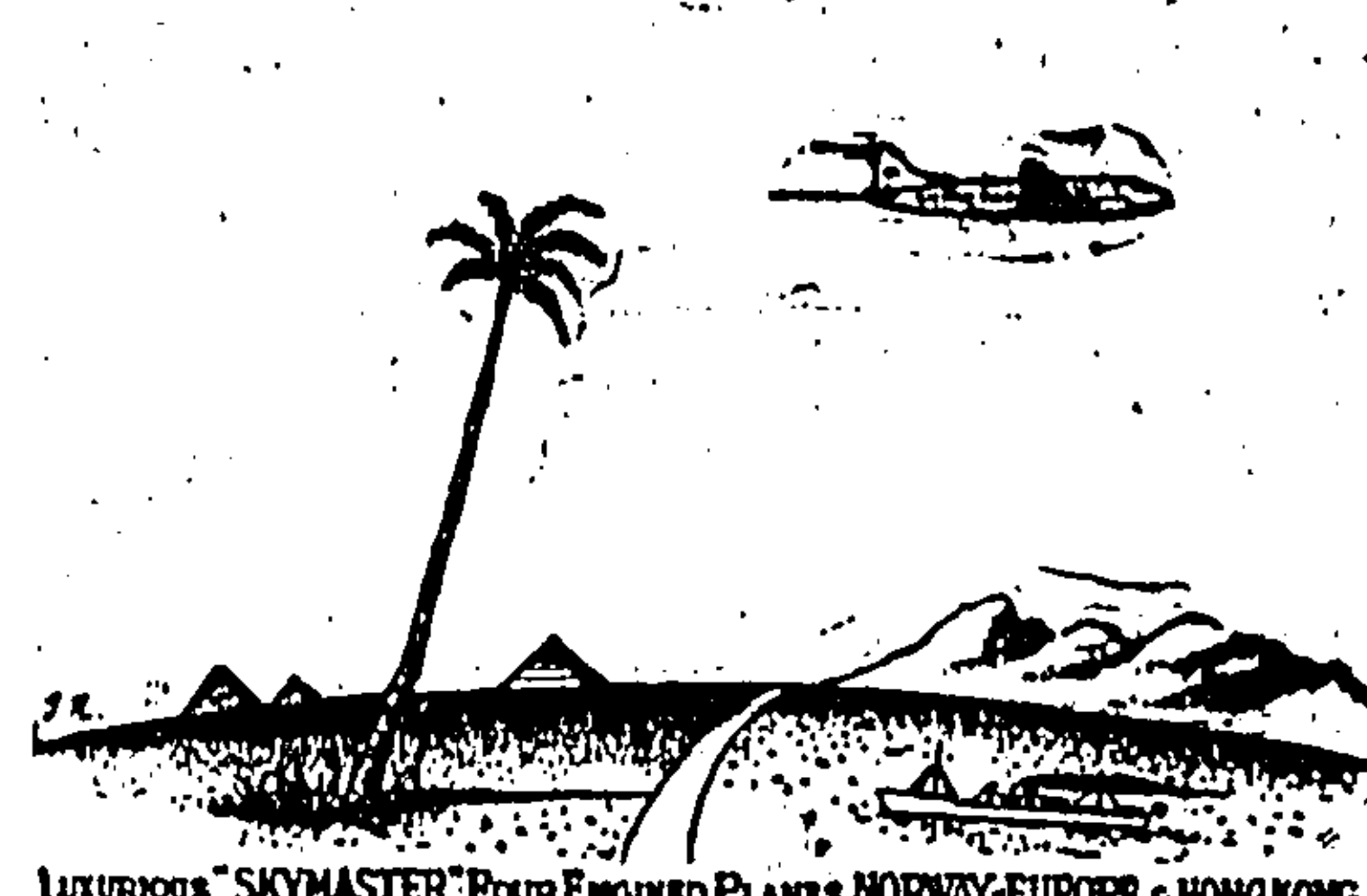
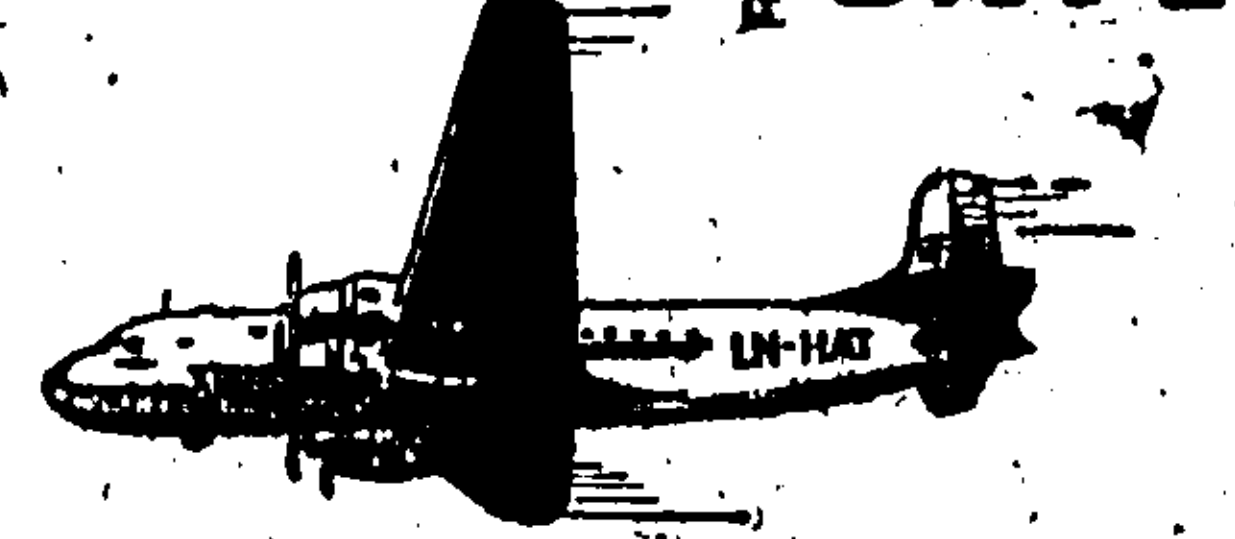
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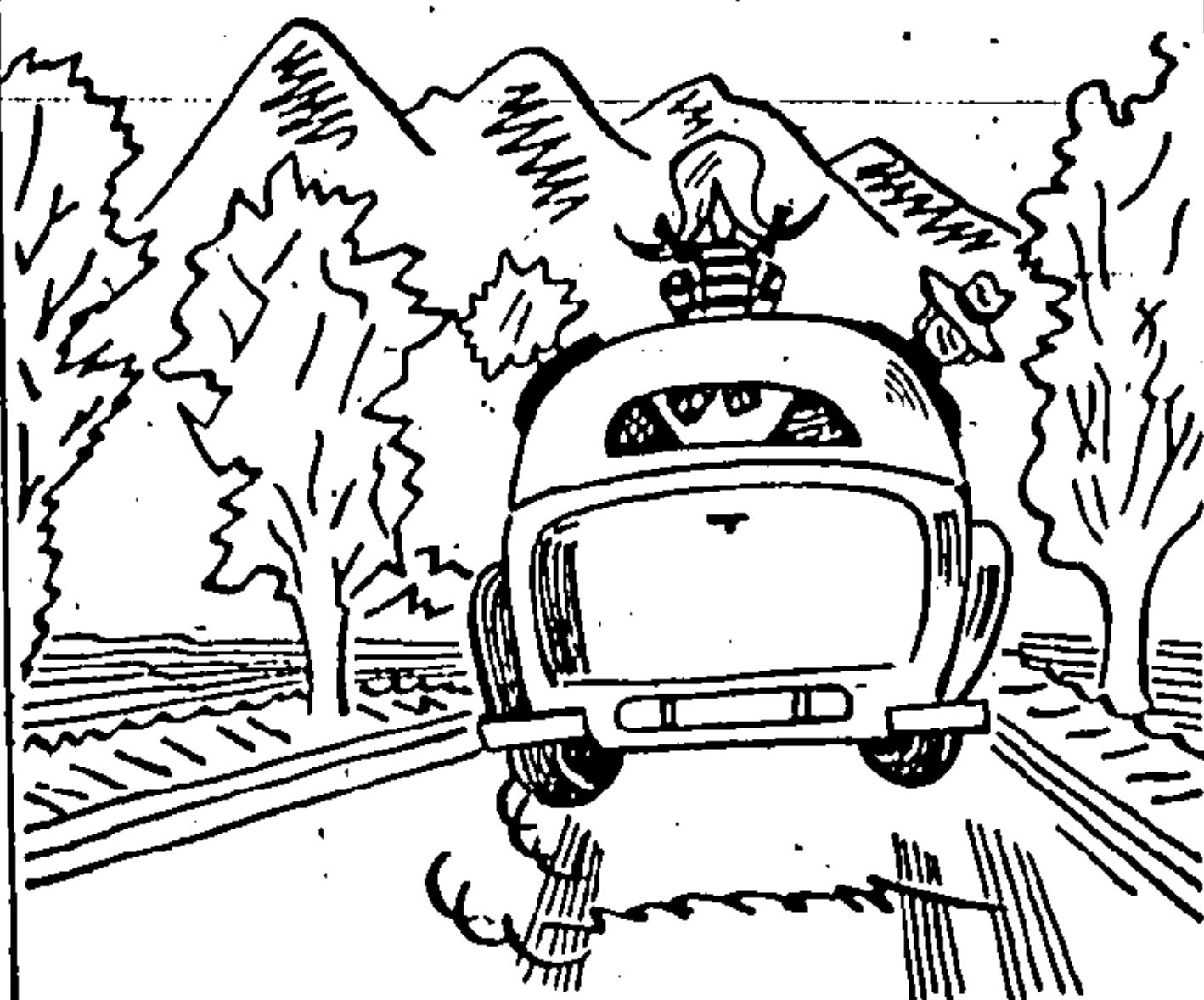
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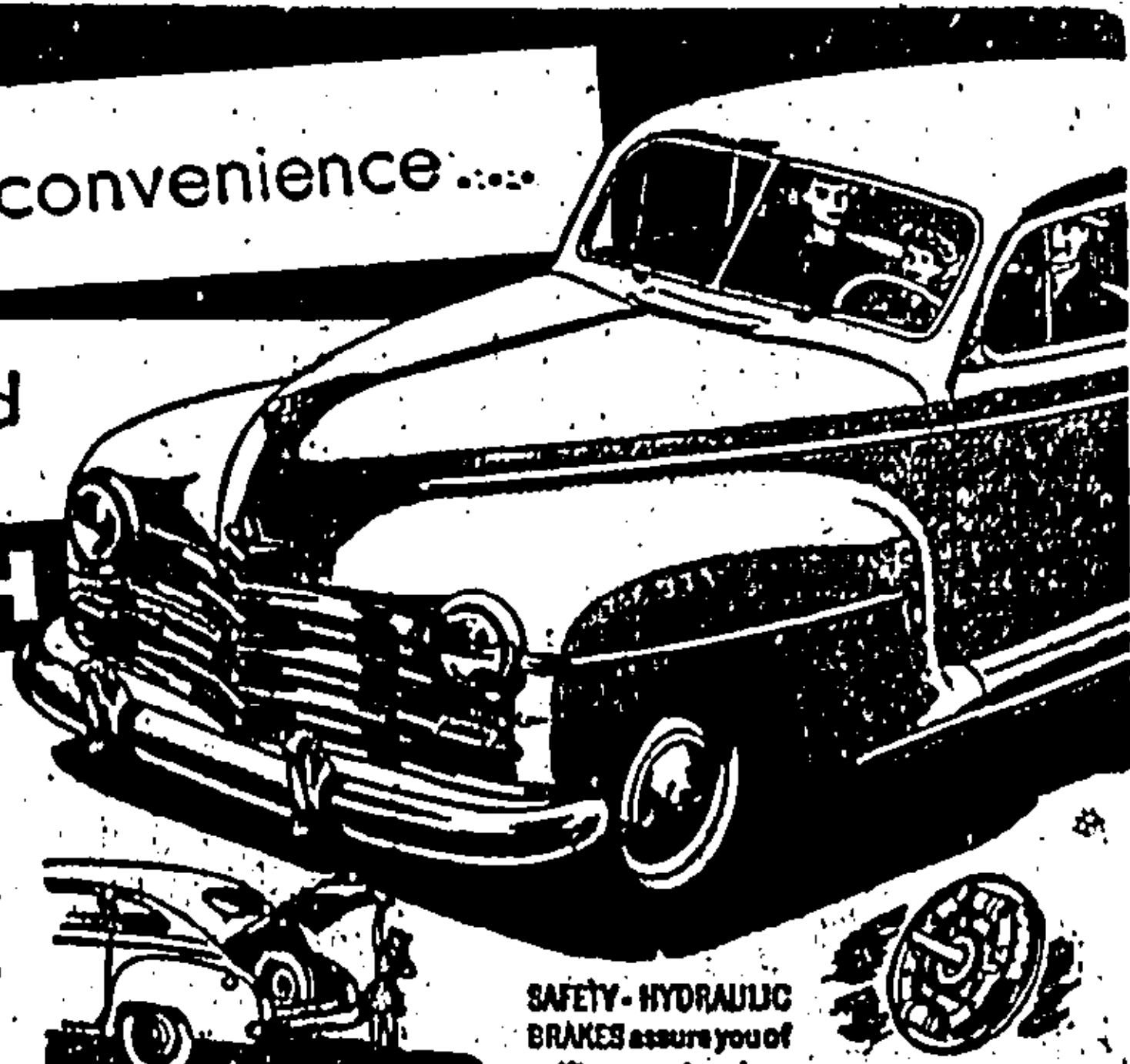
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## MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

### HOME ON WHEELS

#### LOW-PRICED COMFORT AND MOBILITY

By Charles Lynch

A possible solution to Hong Kong's housing problem—the caravan—is gaining wide-spread popularity in Australia, where manufacturers are constantly improving on designs and innovations to meet the public's increasing critical demands for this combination of housing and transport.

Fourth-berth, two-berth, single berth types and caravans are produced in large numbers.

An ice chest, insulated with cork, is included. Crockery is stored in a small cabinet over the kitchen range. Caravan types most favoured by Australians are 13 ft. long by 6 ft. 8 ins. wide. Designs generally are smaller than those manufactured in Great Britain and the United States, and this is due possibly to the fact that the purchaser who is prepared to speed £A300 or £400 on a caravan more often requires it for a long journey. Australia's

### Holiday on Wheels



THE HOLIDAY TRAILER caravan is popular in Australia, where scenic attractions are readily accessible to the main cities. Besides being an ideal means of transport, the caravan is also one way of beating the world-wide post-war housing shortage. Top picture shows a caravan party on the upper reaches of the River Yarra, near Melbourne, while the lower picture shows that there is ample upboard space in the modern caravan's kitchen.

and when materials are more readily available the developing trade is expected to occupy an important place in Australian industry. Average price for a four-berth vehicle is £A420 from the manufacturer. Finished in contrasting tones, the interiors of Australian caravans are invariably bright and attractive. They were formerly matched with lino, but as this is in short supply, manufacturers have found a substitute in a type of bituminised board painted in attractive colours. This material is difficult to distinguish from lino.

#### Stove And Sink

Kitchen stoves are of the thermal, double-burner type, and fumes are carried away by a large canopy over the stove. A stainless steel sink disposes of waste water, and fresh water is available from the 25 gallon tank.

vast areas offer inducements to the tourist to use his caravan for extended tours. Most of the manufacturers are located in Sydney, Melbourne, and the States of New South Wales and Victoria respectively.

#### Ideal For Trips

In summer the beach resorts are thronged with caravans. In winter-time a large business is done in hiring to travellers who journey north to the tropical State of Queensland to enjoy the winter sun. This east coast tour, a perfect motor road, is always popular with tourists. There is usually plenty of cupboard space in Australian designs. A main wall lamp provides illumination through the caravan. There is a spacious wardrobe, and, completely hidden from view a small wash-basin with all toilet fittings. Ventilation is obtained through a large flap in the roof. The general tendency is to build windows as large as possible in most Australian constructions. Two single bunks are located at the front of the vehicle and can be folded into a foot arrangement, while the two opposite seats around the folding table of the dinette are merged into a double berth. Australian designers have introduced many ingenious ideas to save space in the placement of the built-in furniture. A folding step at the entrance is to be patented by a leading manufacturer in Melbourne. The step is folded underneath the body of the trailer when it is not in use. Manufacturers have solved the problem of dust formerly the bugbear of caravan owners, by the use of sponge rubber fitted to all openings, and the covering of all outside joints with hard, sticking tape. In construction the trailer units are built of oregon with 1½ in. by 7/8 in. frames, and the bodies are usually of bonded plywood. Although there are many metal bodies on the road, aluminium is stated by manufacturers to be unsuited to the generally hot climate in Australia. Insulation frequently used is a standard rock fibre which is liberally dispersed between the walls and in the ceiling. The wheel assembly costs about £A23 apart from legal. The backyard builder can construct a caravan without having to obtain a building permit, and at present in the States of Victoria

### EUROPE'S SPORTS CARS INTEREST AMERICA

There are signs that interest in the sports car is reawakening in the United States, fostered by bodies like the Veteran Motor Car Club and the Sports Club of America, although no specialised sporting vehicles have been manufactured there since the demise of the Duesenberg and Cord in the 1930s.

The American Press has carried quite a lot of matter lately, illustrating cars of European type, and trying to analyse their appeal. To quote the February number of Fortune, "If America dominates the automobile business of the globe, it is the Old World that has kept alive the romantic conception of the motor-car, the aesthetic of the automobile, the conception of the work of art. But who ever raised that objection, with validity, concerning works of art?"

#### "Blubbery"

The writer deplores "blubbery" inflation of body lines (what Detroit itself calls the jelly school of design), and quotes performance figures from "The Motor" which he speaks of as "a journal whose literate addition to automotive sport is unparalleled in this country."

Mr. Wilder Hobson, author of the story in Fortune, speaks of the "sleek British dignity" of the Bentley and the "fluency" of a Pinin-Farina body. He is firmly attached to the theory that there is such a thing as "haute car-

rosserie," or bodywork of a standard corresponding to that of the "haute couture" in the world of women's fashions.

#### Layman Approach

By contrast with Fortune, the magazine, Esquire, adopts a lamentably layman approach, summarised in a sub-heading which reads: "Millionaires, film stars and just plain Joe are enthusiastic fans of fast, flashy cars from British, French, Italian factories."

It quotes the cartoonist Ralph Stein as saying: "By comparison (with European sports cars) American cars are soft, unwieldy, uninteresting"—but takes the sting out of his words with a patriotic disclaimer that it is Stein and not Esquire speaking. A third American magazine article figures in a paper called "Hunting and Fishing."

"European sports cars," says the writer, are not all "gigantic Alfa Romeos, Mercedes or Bugattis, costly playthings for such prices as may have been left when the war ended. The majority are small two-seaters such as the M.G., the Morgan, the Fiat, the Alvis, the Riley."

Their average horse-power is 40 to 60. In such machines the paper sees possibilities of amusement for the fresh-air American, and applauds the British types of trial, rally, and driving test, as affording a lot of fun in their own right, as well as encouraging people to drive stimulating that articles like these should be printed during the "export drive."

### FAST AND FOREMOST

Donald Healey, the 50-year-old racing motorist and car designer, who has lifted British prestige high in international motor racing, was recently interviewed in the British Broadcasting Corporation's programme "In Town Tonight." He had just returned from Italy where he and his son had taken part in the longest and most dangerous car race in the world, the thousand-mile Mille Miglia. One of his

but it cost us 20 minutes and six places in the final result, which was a pity.

The 1,000 miles course is covered non-stop except for refuelling. The route was over ordinary roads which were not closed to traffic and crossed the Apennines twice. As Healey was driving an open car he was placed in the sports category and did not start until four hours after the first car, which he said "was a bit dangerous because after a while some of the spectators got restless and began to wander about the roads." They left in the dark and finished in the dark—nine-twenty at night. What put them out before the accident of the dog, according to Healey, was the rain which began soon after they left Rome when they were lying second. It made the polished tar roads tricky and was the cause of putting the Italian ace Nuvolari out of the race; he hit a wall on the bend and had to retire.

"On the short autostrada between Lezhora and Florence the rain was so heavy that at speeds of over 100 the wiper wiper would not cope with the combined pressure and the rain," said Healey. "But" he went on "there's one point I want to make purely racing car, and I race only because I want to show that British cars can motor swiftly, safely and reliably. Races of this kind are invaluable for learning lessons of design."



cars, the 16-horse power Healey driven by Count Lancia, a friend of the Healey family, won the race against 200 of the world's fastest sports cars, and with an average speed of 85 miles per hour, smashed all touring car records for the course by 80 minutes. The Healeys, father and son, finished ninth on an average of 65 miles per hour. They lost ground on a fast stretch near Alessandria when a dog ran in front of them. As Healey said in his broadcast "I don't swerve at 110 miles per hour, and the results were drastic. The wing was forced into the tyre which burst. I thought it was the end of the race for us, but that was where my son Geoffrey earned his place in the car. We changed the wheel and got going again, and New South Wales it is not necessary to register it as a vehicle. It is probable that as greater numbers appear on the roads registration will be made compulsory."

#### Materials Short

As building materials are in limited supply, Australian manufacturers cannot produce anything like the number of caravans called for by present demands.

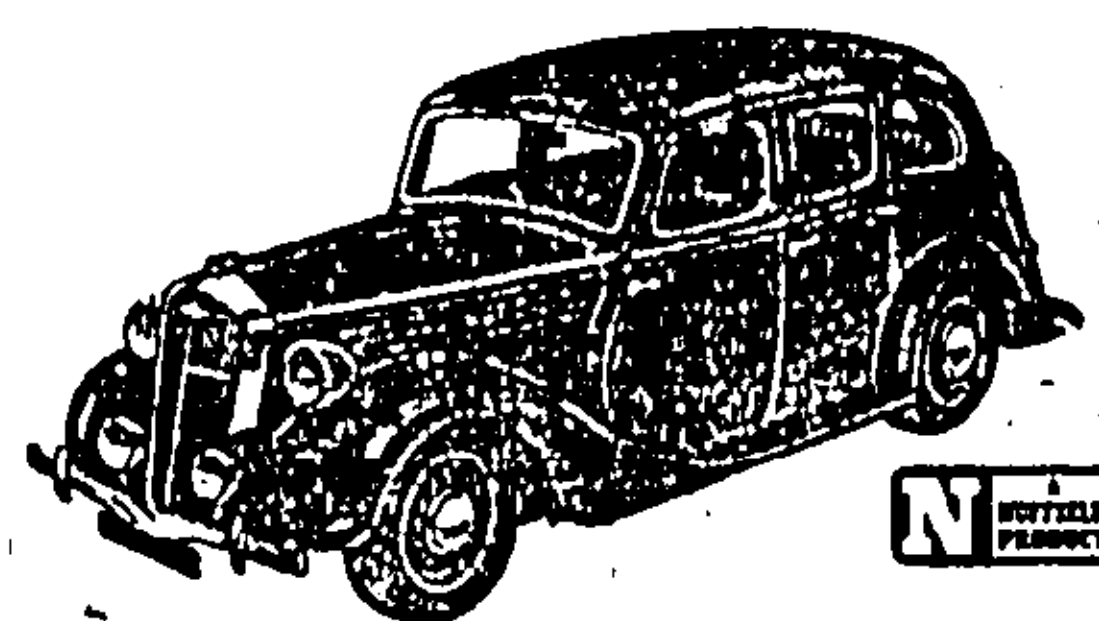
Demand everywhere is exceeding the supply, particularly as the caravan is being used extensively as temporary homes by people who are building, or are waiting to build and are part of a world wide fraternity plagued by a housing shortage.

Australian caravans are organised into clubs affiliated with motorists' organisations like the Royal Automobile Club in Victoria, the National Road and Motorists' Association in New South Wales, and the Royal Automobile Association in South Australia. They pay a small membership fee and conduct driving competitions and tests of ability to handle caravans among themselves. The clubs' services are also available to overseas members of clubs affiliated with the respective organisations who may be visiting Australia.

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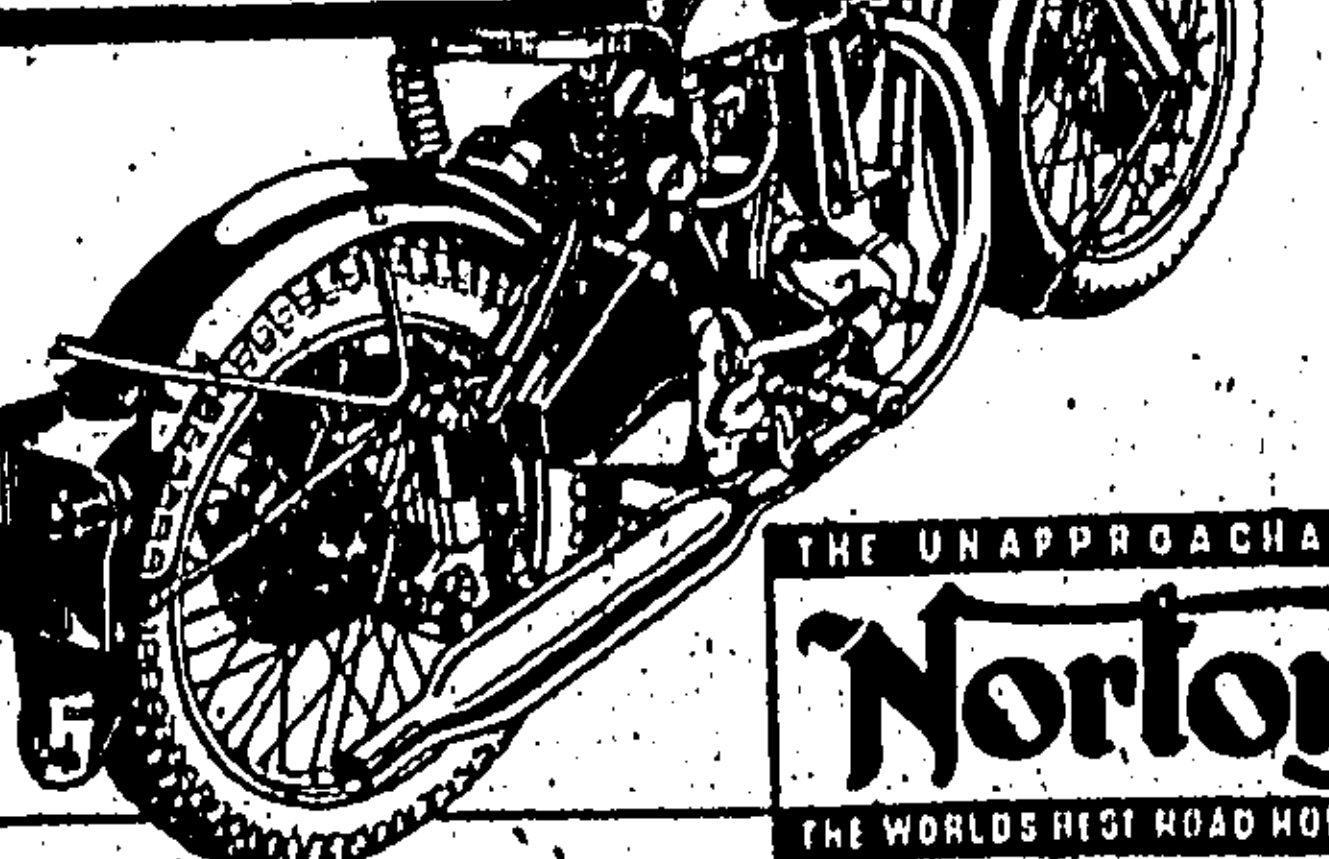
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# New Government For France

## QUEUILLE TAKES OVER TASK OF AVERTING INFLATION

### VICTORY TO LABOUR AT TUC

Margate, September 9. The Labour Government's economic plan for stabilising wages and prices won a decisive victory at the Union Congress today.

Eight hundred delegates representing 8,000,000 workers adopted, with only a few dissenters, the resolution which in effect pledges continued support of the Government's white paper outlining Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer's deflation policy.

There were prospects for a major clash of the issue, but the intervention of Sir Stafford on Tuesday, coupled with the sober speeches on Thursday pointing to austerity to aid British recovery, overcame the opposition.

Before the vote, Secretary of Transport and General Workers, Mr. Arthur Deakin, declared: "I want to emphasise the fact that the rank and file of my organisation recognise the policy of reducing the prices and increasing the value of wages we get is a correct one."

"We do not want to see the position produced in this country which creates conditions like those in France, in Italy and to some extent in the USSR where discussion takes place to the disadvantage of the masses of the people," United Press.

### IF WALLACE BECOMES PRESIDENT

New York, September 9. A former high ranking American Communist asserted today that if Mr. Henry Wallace should be elected President his party "would celebrate his election as a major victory and as the first long strike toward Sovietisation of America."

Mr. Louis Budenz, former managing editor of the "Daily Worker," a Communist newspaper, in an article in Collier's Magazine said Mr. Wallace himself is not a Communist but that whether he realises it or not "he is a prisoner of the Communists."

Mr. Budenz wrote: "Moscow placed the stamp of approval upon him more than four years ago. Since he returned from his visit to Siberia in 1944 the Communists have never doubted he would support any policy put forward by the Soviet Union and denounce any attempt by the United States to counter Russian aggression."

**Demand Representation**

"Because of what they had done for him, Communists would demand representation in his Cabinet. And before Mr. Wallace, immersed in his visionary plans, knows what is going on, Communists would be firmly entrenched in the Government."

"I would be willing to gamble everything I possess... that within six months after the inauguration of Mr. Wallace a Sovietised FBI or secret service would discover a conspiracy involving some very prominent Americans, perhaps Mr. Thomas E. Dewey, Mr. Harry S. Truman, Mr. Herbert Hoover, Mr. Arthur Vandenberg of General Dwight D. Eisenhower. Their liquidation would be necessary.... Mr. Henry Wallace, too, would be dispensed with once he has served his purpose."—United Press.

### NO COMMENT ON WAR CRIMES TRIALS

Tokyo, September 10. Sir William Webb, Australian representative and President of the International Military Tribunal for the Far East, declined comment on a charge by an American defence attorney that Japanese major war criminal suspects were not accorded a fair trial.

Sir William is official spokesman for the 11 Allied Judges who are still writing their opinion in the trial of ex-Premier Hideki Tojo and 24 other Japanese leaders. Other judges refused use of their names but made several comments on the speech delivered by Owen Cunningham before the American Bar Association at Seattle, Washington.

Mr. Cunningham represented Hiroshi Oshima, Ambassador to Hitler during the war.

One judge was "amused" that Mr. Cunningham would make the charge the trial was used as a "political football with 11 nations outdoing each other to air their

Paris, September 9. M. Henri Queuille, 64-year-old Radical Deputy, told President Vincent Auriol, of France, tonight that he was ready to form a government.

He will present himself before the National Assembly tomorrow or Saturday for investiture.

The Premier-elect conferred today with the former Prime Minister, M. Andre Marie, and Edouard Herriot, President of the National Assembly, before deciding to accept the difficult task entrusted to him by the President.

Faced by problems of constantly mounting prices and spiralling nationwide protest strikes against the high cost of living, as well as an ever-present threat of inflation, M. Queuille indicated that he was anxious above all to reach an agreement on the financial question with the different political factions.

The Treasury position is becoming more critical and calls for urgent measures if the Treasury is to have the necessary cash in hand at the end of the month to meet all its obligations.

Subscriptions to short-term Treasury bonds have virtually dried up during the past ten days of political uncertainty.

Recourse to temporary borrowing from the Bank of France and a consequent new dose of inflation seem inevitable, but even this requires the existence of a government.

Although a 24-hour protest strike by the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour public services workers took place in Paris yesterday without any untoward incidents, M. Queuille still has to consider the possibility of widespread action by all three of the leading trade union federations in the near future to meet the growing cost of living are not met.

M. Queuille's acceptance of the Premiership followed an agreement by the Socialists earlier tonight to vote for his investiture, and it was understood, particularly in the new Cabinet—the fourth formed in under six weeks.

**"All Party"**

The earlier pessimism about the prospects of forming an "all party" government, excluding only the Communists, gave way to greater optimism tonight in Paris political circles.

It is believed that M. Queuille has not only obtained the agreement of the various groups to vote for him as Premier, but has also received their approval of his financial programme and the composition of his Cabinet.

The latest figures of the Bank of France no doubt helped the Socialists to take a more conciliatory attitude. These figures show a strong inflationary trend and heavy borrowing by the Treasury. An unexpected increase in the amount of bills discounted (abnormal at the beginning of the month) led some commentators to suppose that the Treasury had been discounting anticipated tax receipts in order to meet current liabilities.

The Socialists' objections to serving in a Cabinet including declared Gaullists were apparently overcome by M. Queuille's promise to take into his government one or two Gaullist sympathisers, but to keep out declared Gaullists.

The Gaullist group has promised to support M. Queuille subject to his undertaking to reform the electoral law in preparation for future general elections, and their continued support would no doubt be contingent on the new government acting in this sense within a reasonable time.

Labour unrest under Communist inspiration continued to

day, and more taken strikes in various parts of the country were reported. Strikes lasting for about one hour took place in some 40 coalfields in the north, the departure of several large ships was delayed in Marseilles, about half the workers in the Somme department responded to a Communist call for a 24-hour protest strike and a one-hour general strike has been called for tomorrow at Bourges.

**Financial Question**

M. Queuille indicated today that he was anxious above all to reach an agreement on the financial question with the various parties.

"I do not think anything can be achieved by hurrying," he declared. "It is only when we are in agreement on this (financial question) that we can proceed."

A joint resolution passed by the three big trade unions—the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour, the Force Ouvriere and the Christian Workers Federation—called for a monthly cost of living bonus of 3,000 francs (about HK\$50).

Strong forces of police and Republican Security Guards were again on duty today at all approaches to the Elysee Palace of the President, following yesterday's marches to the Palace by Communist-led workers presenting resolutions in favour of a "democratic government" (with Communist participation).

About 20 truckloads of Communist-led demonstrators from suburban factories arrived at the western approach to the Palace this afternoon, but only a delegation of five was allowed to p

## One Communist In New TUC Council

Margate, September 9. British Communists failed in their most ambitious attempt so far to get strong representation on the General Council of the Trades Union Congress. The new Council includes only one Communist—Mr. A. Papworth, nominee of the Transport and General Workers Union, re-elected without a contest.

The four other Communist candidates made a poor showing, two coming at the bottom of the poll for vacant seats.

The TUC tonight endorsed the General Council's support of the Government's "peg wages and profits" policy on condition that the Government acted more vigorously to reduce prices.

The decision was reached by a very large majority after Congress had rejected a more extreme proposal that the Government should introduce statutory control of profits.

Several leaders of the Movement who spoke out in defence of the Government policy inseparably linked their support with the demand for more vigorous action to reduce prices.

This was put forcibly by Mr. Arthur Deakin, General Secretary of the world's biggest trade union, the Transport and General Workers, who said that the Government should act vigorously and energetically to cut prices.

"My members want to see the Pound buy a Pound's worth of goods," he said. But the Government's policy had had results, he added, for stabilising of prices.

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## M.P. ACCUSES PRIME MINISTER

Canberra, September 9. Mr. Joseph Palmer Abbott, a Country Party member, today charged Mr. Joseph Chifley, the Australian Prime Minister, in the House of Representatives, with agreeing to write up shares in Metropolitan Cement Limited to very inflated values.

## RUSSIAN WARSHIPS REPORTED

Copenhagen, September 9. Observers on the Danish island of Bornholm reported today that they had seen an "appreciable force" of Russian warships steaming eastwards.

The ships were outside Danish territorial waters and no contact was made.

Two formations of Soviet aircraft—one of seven planes, the other of 14—were seen circling low over Bornholm, an island in the Baltic east of Denmark and due south of Sweden. Further south lies the coastline of Russian-occupied Germany.

The Russians evacuated Bornholm in April, 1946, after being there since May, 1945, when they seized it from the Germans.

The Russian planes, described as "bombers", were said to be flying at a height of about 300 feet. Danish authorities said that the aircraft might have lost their route and had flown over the island to check their positions.

Bornholm is about 180 miles north of Berlin where the Russians are holding air manoeuvres.—Reuter.

## ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

London, September 9. Equipped with planes, oil finding seismographs and special launches, Britain's newest Antarctic expedition will sail for the South Pole regions, next month.

Under the command of Major K.S. Pierce Butler, it will carry relief supplies to Britain's eight full time bases scattered through the Falkland Island dependencies and will mount a fresh assault against the grim unknown of Alexander I land where petroleum deposits are expected to be found.

The huge piece of land which lies off Graham Land between 70 and 75 degrees latitude is about 300 miles long at its longest portion and 150 miles wide at the widest portion.

It has been haphazardly mapped by several expeditions, but the British will give it the most thorough exploration that modern science can provide.—United Press.

## CO-OPERATION CALL FOR THE BALKANS

Prague, September 9. The Yugoslav Press today called for Balkan co-operation within a general interim front on the occasion of Bulgaria's Independence Day.

According to the Yugoslav News Agency, the Communist organ Borba said that the Yugoslav-Bulgarian brotherhood is a cause of such importance and firmness that it will overcome all difficulties apparently referring to the Cominform attack on the Yugoslav leadership which the Bulgarian Communists had joined.—United Press.

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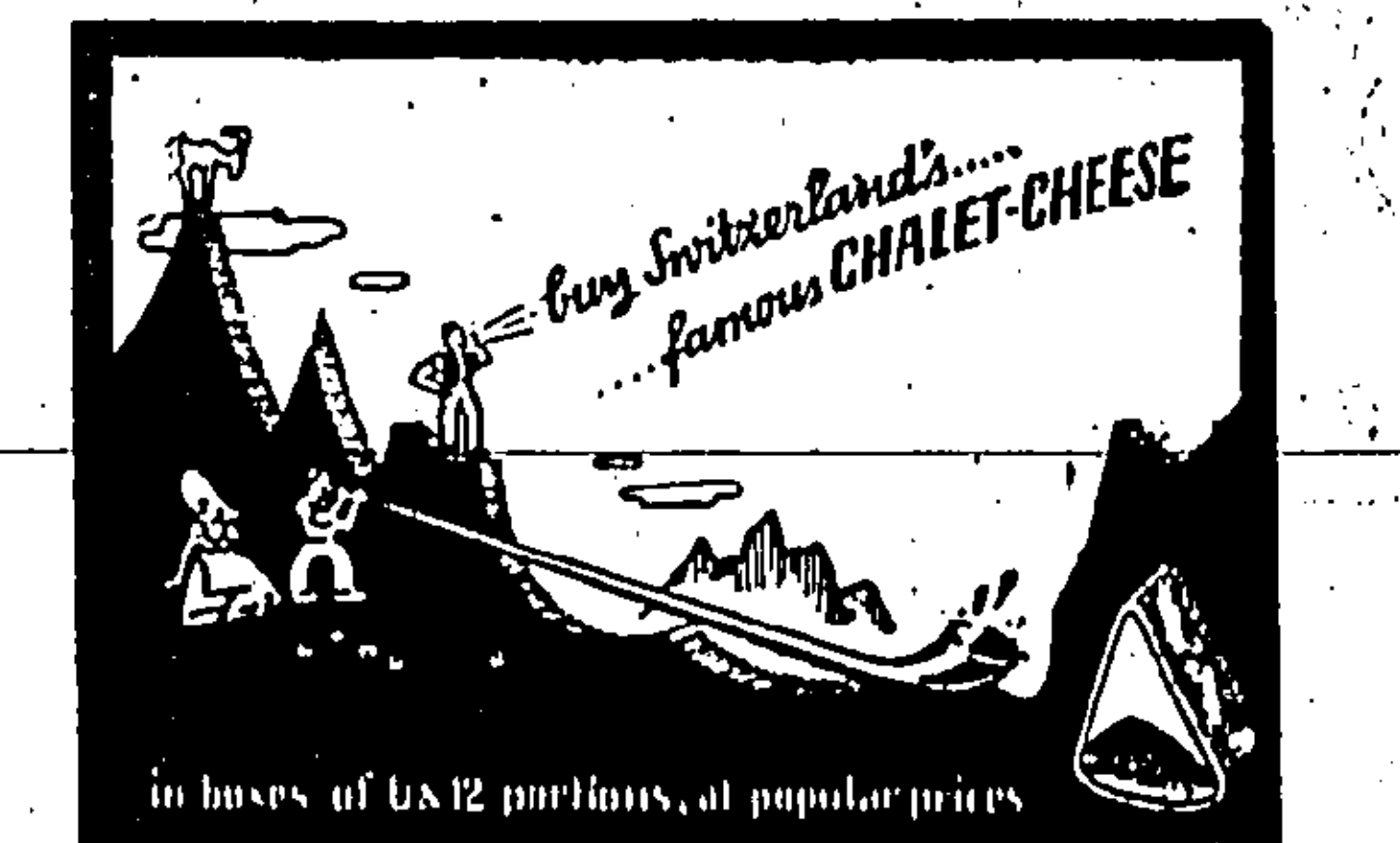
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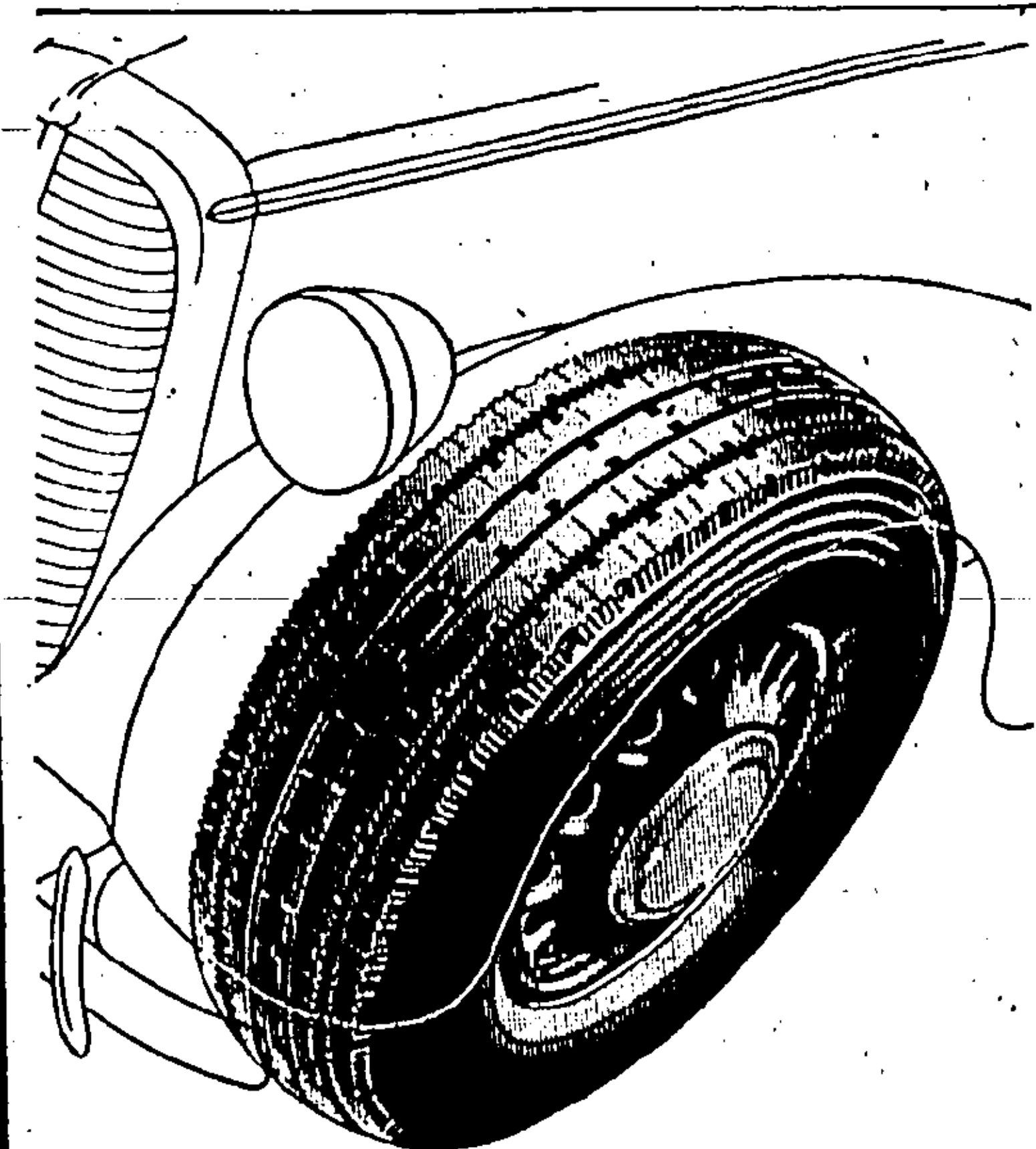
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## HIBOKHIBOK CAUSES ACUTE EMERGENCY

Manila, September 10.

An acute emergency was declared on Camiguin Island following a rain of acidic ash from erupting Mount Hibokhibok and an urgent message has been flashed that all available ships are needed for a mass evacuation.

## US BUYS BRITISH RUBBER

Washington, September 10.

The United States announced on Thursday a purchase of 25,000 tons of high grade rubber from the British Government for its stockpile of strategic materials.

Evan Just, Director of the Economic Co-operation Administration's strategic materials division, said the purchase adds a "substantial amount" to the U.S. rubber stockpile.

He declined to say how much rubber the ECA is seeking.

The purchase was hailed here as the first major dividend from the Marshall Plan investment.

Although the United States is paying for the rubber, the deal is the first step toward carrying out the Congressional aim of assuring a continuing flow of critical war materials in return for Marshall Plan aid.

The Foreign Assistance Act provides that the foreign countries shall set aside local currencies received from sale of U.S. recovery goods and devote them, in part, to recovery projects which will produce such scarce materials.

It also directs ECA to arrange with Marshall Plan countries that the United States get a reasonable share of each country's output of such scarce materials. These may be acquired by the United States by sale, transfer, barter or other means.

Associated Press.

In a message to the Weather Bureau, the Government geophysicist who has been observing the eruption said: "Acute emergency on Camiguin Island. All available boats needed for mass evacuation. Guinsilban and Binone designated embarkation points, with priority at Binone. Rain of acidish ash occurred. Order being maintained."

A Philippine naval patrol vessel off Camiguin, the LCI 1059, flashed the message to all ships at sea, summoning all available to Camiguin for the evacuation. The message was intercepted by Globe Wireless of Manila.

Guinsilban and Binone, the designated embarkation points, are on the Southeastern part of Camiguin, facing the Mindanao mainland.

### Standing By

It was known that five or six Philippine naval patrol vessels around Camiguin had been standing by in readiness to take on refugees and it was assumed the mass evacuation was on.

The Social Welfare Commissioner, Mrs. Asuncion Perez, is flying to the disaster area today. The Red Cross is shipping 4,230 pounds of multipurpose food to Cagayan on Mindanao, on two Army transports.

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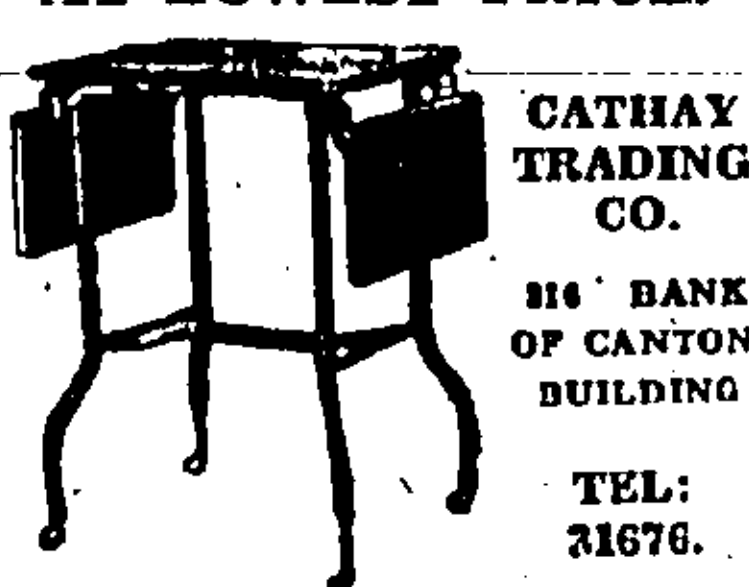
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## Fall of Rock Kills Miner

Clydach Vale, Rhonda, September 9.

Several miners had narrow escapes today when a roof fall occurred at the Cambrian Colliery in Clydach Vale, resulting in the death of Mr. Thomas Mainwaring. A rock weighing several tons fell from the roof, scattering the men and pinning Mr. Mainwaring by the legs. He died in Perth Hospital.

Another man has a fractured leg and four others escaped with minor injuries.—Reuter.

## Greeks Fighting On Their Own Ground

Athens, September 9.

The Minister of War, M. George Stratos, said tonight that Greek and Yugoslav troops clashed yesterday inside Greece and eight Yugoslav soldiers and one officer were killed.

He did not say whether there were any Greek casualties, but told a press conference three Yugoslavs were captured and an undisclosed number wounded in the first open skirmish between Greek and Yugoslav troops since the guerilla war began two years ago.

The Minister said the clash took place in the South frontier area, where Yugoslavs attacked the Greek 55th Battalion.

The Greek defenders withdrew after the invaders occupied positions inside Greece, but later counter-attacked and recaptured South M. Stratos said.

He added that the Yugoslavs wounded had been treated, but the dead were left where they fell to await investigation by the United Nations Balkan Commission team.

M. Stratos also said the Greek General Staff had ordered the Greek troops "not to enter, under any circumstances, foreign territory" and to safeguard Greek territory by all means available.—United Press.

## AMERICANS IN JAPAN TOO OPTIMISTIC

Canberra, September 9.

Americans in Japan are more optimistic about the success of their efforts to democratise the Japanese than is warranted, Mr. C. W. Davidson, a member of the Commonwealth House of Representatives, said today.

He had gained the uneasy impression that the Americans thought they had achieved a greater success democratizing the Japanese than they really had. There was very little ground for the opinion that the Japanese had accepted democracy, to which they were giving lip service.

The chief hope of making Japan a peaceful, democratic nation lay in the education of the young and emancipation for women, which would take one, if not two, generations, Mr. Davidson added.—Reuter.

## TOTAL OF 45 KILLED IN LUZON BATTLES

Manila, September 10.

Press reports from Central Luzon said today that a total of 45 people were killed, including nine civilians, in a series of Hukbalahap-Constabulary clashes in Nueva Ecija and Tarlac Provinces.

Reports indicated that all four Constabulary Provincial Commanders in Pampanga, Tarlac, Bulacan and Nueva Ecija—with a total of 22 Constabulary Companies—had taken to the field. In one engagement in Tarlac, 15 Huk and nine others—all women and children—were reported killed. The women and children were said to have been caught in the crossfire.

The reports did not mention Constabulary casualties. Seven Constabulary companies were reportedly thrown against Huk concentrations in Nueva Ecija. Six companies were reported to be heading down toward the Pampanga marshlands, a formidable Huk stronghold.

The Huk chief, Luis Taruc, is believed to be somewhere in Pampanga.

High-ranking Constabulary sources told the United Press Huk were waging typical guerilla type warfare and not meeting the Constabulary in frontal clashes or positional battles unless cornered. They admitted the Huk were elusive and frequently succeeded in escaping cordons during the night and taking advantage of the vast expanse of territory favourable to hit-and-run tactics.—United Press.

## 1,000 CASUALTIES IN EARTH TREMORS

Shanghai, Sept. 10.

Intermittent earth tremors in Lihua district of Sikang Province, which borders Tibet, between May and mid-August have caused an estimated 1,000 casualties and heavy property damage, according to the official Central News Agency.

The report gives no further details but added that geologists have been invited by the district authorities to ascertain the causes of the earthquakes which were of unusually long duration.

Lihua is situated in the southwestern part of the province.—Reuter.

## PROTESTS VOICED AT SAILING

Liverpool, September 9.

Communist sympathisers held protest marches here today outside the gates of the landing stage, from which soldiers of the 3rd Battalion Grenadier Guards were embarking for Malaya in the troopship Staffordshire.

Among the demonstrators were women, one of whom pushed a pram with a baby in it. The marchers carried banners. One read: "Rescue the poor Malaysians."

The Guards, who arrived by special train from Windsor, were not seen by the demonstrators and embarked without incident. They were all equipped with rifles and full marching kit. The 10,749 ton Staffordshire is due to sail for Singapore tonight.

The Commanding Officer is Colonel T.F.C. Winnington. Among his officers is Captain J.F. Lascelles, Grenadier Guards, six foot four inches tall, cousin of the Earl of Harwood and son of Sir Alan Lascelles, private Secretary to the King. He is 26 and has been in the Guards since he was 10. Saying farewell to his husband of a week was 19-year-old Mrs. Pamela Whitaker who married Grenadier Sergeant L. A. Whitaker on August 30—only five months after he returned from Palestine.

The official send off to the battalion was given by Major General J. C. Marriott, General Officer Commanding London district, who flew to Liverpool for the occasion.

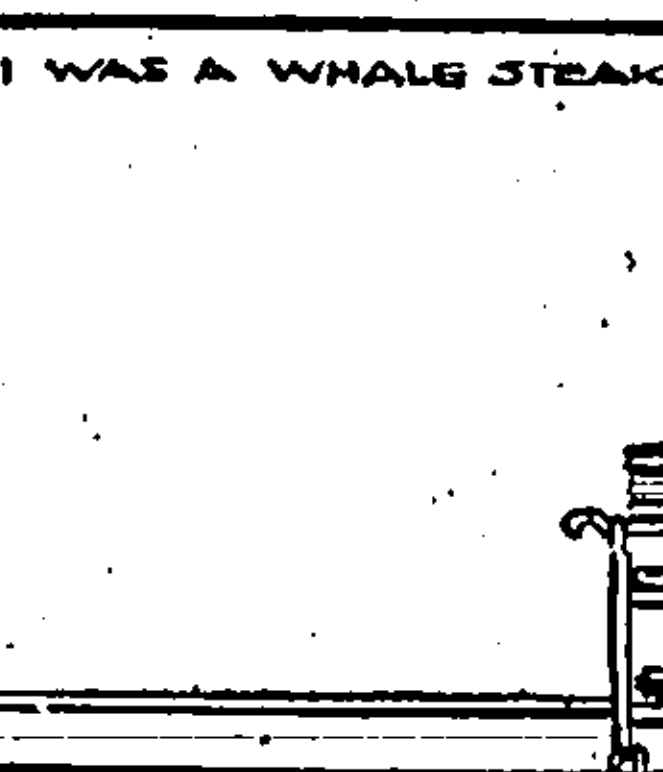
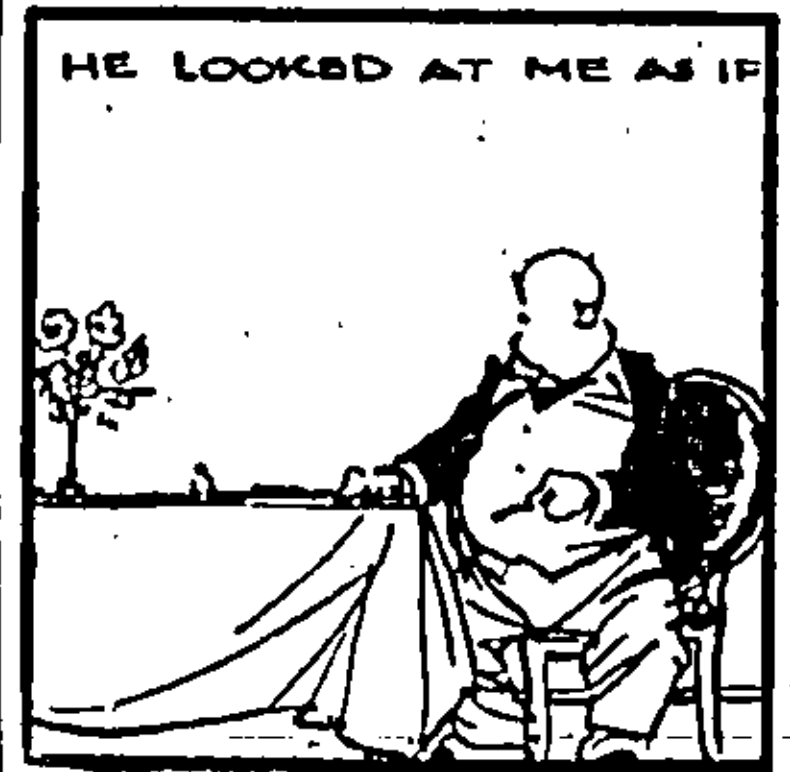
The 3rd Battalion will join other Guards battalions which left Southampton last week.—Reuter.

## FUNDS RESTRICTED FOR TRAVELLERS

Shanghai, September 10.

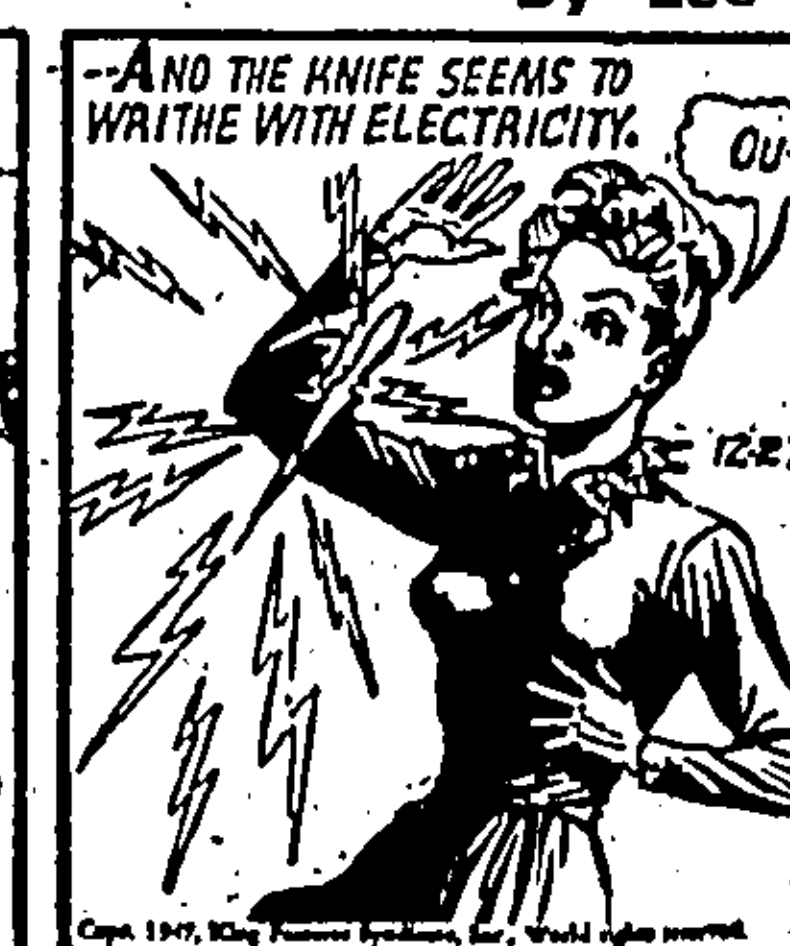
The Ministry of Finance yesterday announced that travellers entering or leaving China are not allowed to carry more than 6,220 Chinese currency funds exceeding that amount will be confiscated. The restriction does not apply to those who hold a licence from the Ministry permitting them to carry larger amounts.—Reuter.

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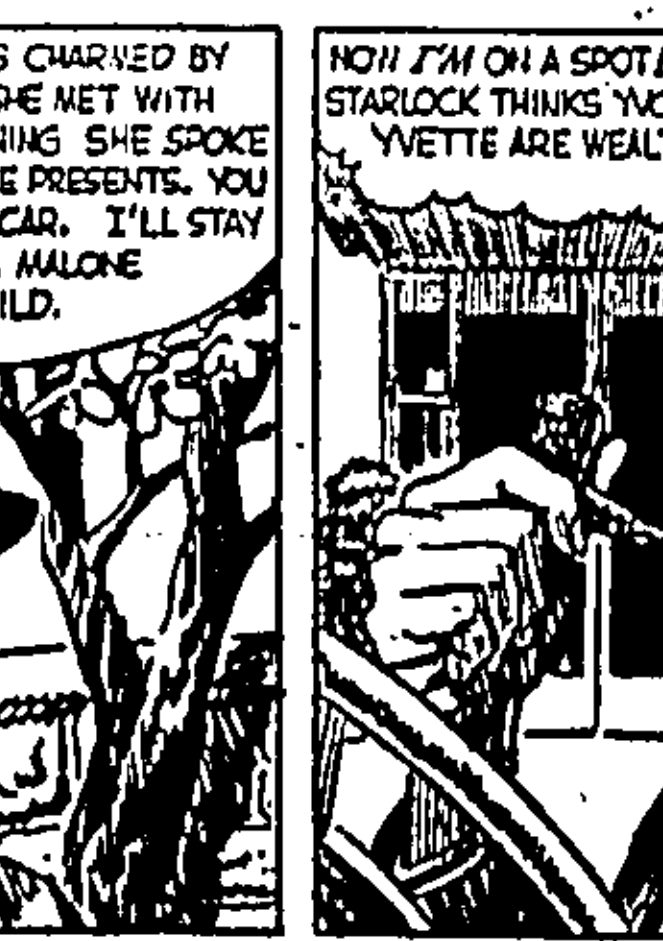
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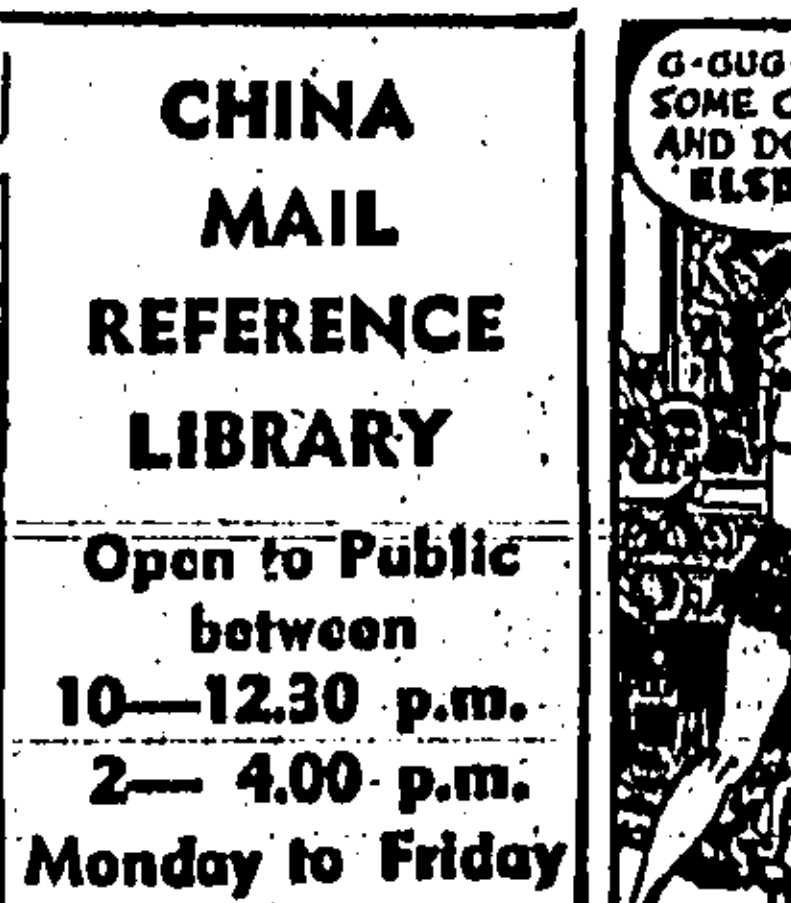


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**HYDERABAD EVACUEES  
TO GO TO MADRAS**

London, September 9.

Plans for the concentration and evacuation to  
Madras of Europeans in the State of Hyderabad  
are being put into operation immediately, the  
Commonwealth Relations Office in London an-  
nounced tonight.

**MORE  
SUCCESSSES  
REPORTED**

Shanghai, September 10.

Pro-Government reports to-  
day claimed successes on  
various fronts, capturing  
medium-sized Communist  
strongholds in North Kiangsu,  
which the Communists planned  
to develop into a staging area  
for a major attempt at cross-  
ing the Yangtze River, and in  
Western Honan near Loyang  
which the Reds reportedly  
picked as the capital of the  
"Democratic Coalition Govern-  
ment."

The reports said the Govern-  
ment troops recaptured Suchien  
and Sze-yang in North Kiangsu  
along the Grand Canal and were  
advancing northward for the  
Lunghai Railway. The retreating  
Communists were said to be con-  
stantly harassed by Mosquito  
bombers and fighters which con-  
ducted day-long sweeps.

In Western Honan, the Gov-  
ernment forces were reported  
to have captured Lushih,  
southwest of Loyang. Lushih is  
considered to be a strategic  
outer-defence stronghold of  
Loyang on the Lunghai Rail-  
way.

Pro-Government reports also  
claimed the recapture by General  
Fu Tso-yi of Hsuehshui on the  
Peiping-Pooting railway. The  
Government troops hope for early  
restoration of Peiping-Pooting  
rail traffic following the recap-  
ture of the several remaining  
stations still in Communist hands.  
—United Press.

This decision has been taken  
in view of the latest develop-  
ments in Hyderabad and the  
speech by the Indian Prime  
Minister, Mr. Nehru, in which  
he said that the Government of  
India had sent a demand to  
the Hyderabad Government for  
the disbandment of the Razak-  
ars (the Muslim militia) and  
has asked for facilities for the  
movement of Indian troops to  
Secunderabad.

The total number of people to  
be evacuated from Hyderabad is  
not expected to exceed 350, in-  
cluding women and children.

The evacuation is to be effected  
by two British airlines chartered  
by the British Government and  
one Dakota belonging to the  
American Embassy in New Delhi.

In Washington, a State Depart-  
ment spokesman said today that  
about 40 Americans—mostly  
missionaries—will be evacuated  
from Hyderabad. He added that  
there were no sizeable American  
business interests in the State.

The United States Commerce  
Department had no record of  
commercial interest there.

**Situation Discussed**

The serious situation in the  
Princely State is believed to have  
been discussed when the High  
Commissioner for India, Mr. V.K.  
Krishna Menon, visited the  
Prime Minister, Mr. Clement  
Attlee, in hospital yesterday.

Mr. Attlee is now suffering  
from a duodenal ulcer, though he  
will be able to return to his  
duties next week.

(Mr. Menon, who soon after-  
wards was flying to India to meet  
Pandit Nehru in New Delhi, ex-  
—United Press.

**Burmese Govt Troops  
Regain Town Of Prome**

Rangoon, September 9.

Burmese Government troops have recaptured from  
the Communist-led insurgents the strategic  
rail and river town of Prome, northwest of Ran-  
goon, a Government communique announced  
tonight.

The loss of Prome is a major  
setback to the Communists as  
it was the biggest town ever  
held by them for any length  
of time and one of the main  
centres of their Communist ad-  
ministration in Burma.

Government forces recaptured  
the town at noon today. Since  
its occupation by insurgent forces  
on August 10, Prome has been  
one of the Government's main  
objectives.

Its recapture gives the Govern-  
ment virtual control of the main  
railways from Rangoon into Cen-  
tral Burma, and will considerably  
facilitate the movement of troops  
to the fighting fronts, and will  
enable rice to be shipped into the  
interior from the capital.

A complete news blackout  
surrounded the details of the  
offensive until the last few  
days.

The Government communique  
reported a small-scale action at  
Allanmye, on the opposite  
bank of the Irrawaddy, from  
Thayetmye, 35 miles north of  
Prome, in which three insurgents  
were killed.

Clashes between Government  
and insurgent troops were also  
reported in the Toungoo area be-  
tween Rangoon and Mandalay  
and at two points in the Ir-  
rawaddy Delta area.

**Armed Bandits**

Two hundred armed bandits  
took part in a midnight attack on  
the Rangoon suburb of Kem-  
mendine, British sources in the  
area reported today. The first  
objective of the raiders, who ap-  
proached by river in several  
parties, was the local headquar-  
ters of the People's Volunteer Or-  
ganisation—still loyal to the Gov-  
ernment.

When their demand for am-  
munition was met with resistance,  
firing started, the noise of which  
was clearly audible in the Brit-  
ish Pegu Club near the centre  
of Rangoon. The attackers shot  
a Burmese sub-agent of the  
Burma Oil Company, looted sev-  
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and decamped with large sums  
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**COLONY  
CONTROL  
OPPOSED**

Geneva, September 9.

Britain today opposed the  
Indian plan for increasing the  
United Nations supervision of  
colonial administration, saying  
that she will not accept any  
international control over her  
colonies since the people of the  
colonies themselves would bit-  
terly resent it.

Britain's representative, Mr.  
Fletcher-Cooke said the United  
Nations Charter made no pro-  
vision for the interposition of an  
international political body be-  
tween the British Government  
and the colonial people.

"The Charter clearly accepts  
the principle that metropolitan  
powers are exclusively responsi-  
ble for the administration of  
their colonial territories," he as-  
serted.

"The British Government do  
not therefore regard themselves  
as accountable to any organ of  
the United Nations for the ad-  
ministration of these terri-  
tories."

Saying that he was not a pri-  
soner in a dock, Mr. Fletcher-  
Cooke added: "If I have in ear-  
lier debates answered some of  
the charges made by the Soviet  
delegate it is because the British  
Government do not want such  
malicious statements to stand  
unchallenged."

The United Nations Committee  
discussing the future of non-self-  
governing territories is expected  
to vote tomorrow on the Indian  
proposals.—Reuter.

**FEC Resumes But  
Still In Secret**

Washington, September 10.

The Far Eastern Commission  
resumed sessions on Thursday  
after a summer recess but as  
usual secrecy surrounded its de-  
liberations.

A spokesman said the Com-  
mission failed to reach agreement  
on any of its minor or major mat-  
ters pending. The Commission ad-  
journing after a brief session con-  
fined to administrative detail.

Commission members expect  
the Soviet members to ask for a  
review of General MacArthur's  
order forbidding Japanese Gov-  
ernment employees from strik-  
ing.—Associated Press.

**BRICK RULED  
WEAPON**

London, September 9.

A London magistrate today  
bound over for two years a 21-  
year-old radio engineer and a 22-  
year-old clerk who were charged  
before him with possessing an  
offensive weapon—a piece of  
brick—at an East London open  
air meeting addressed by  
speakers of Sir Oswald Mosley's  
Union Movement.

One of the speakers, Mr. Jef-  
frey Hamon, was known uncon-  
scious when hit by a brick, but  
it was not suggested that either  
of the two accused threw this  
brick.—Reuter.

**CHINA TUNG OIL  
OUTPUT LOW**

Washington, September 10.

China's tung oil production re-  
mains below pre-war levels but  
should equal the 95,000 ton out-  
put of 1949, the US Agriculture  
Department reports.

China last year exported 80,-  
000 tons of the oil—two-thirds of  
it to the United States. Pre-  
war production averaged about  
132,000 tons annually.

The report said China's tea  
seed oil production, estimated at  
23,000 tons, exceeds 1947 yield  
but also falls below pre-war  
average of 28,000.—Associated  
Press.

**BUCKY WALTERS  
SIGNS CONTRACT**

Cincinnati, September 9.

William Bucky Walters, who  
took over the reins of the Cin-  
cinnati Reds in midseason, yes-  
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age the National League Base-  
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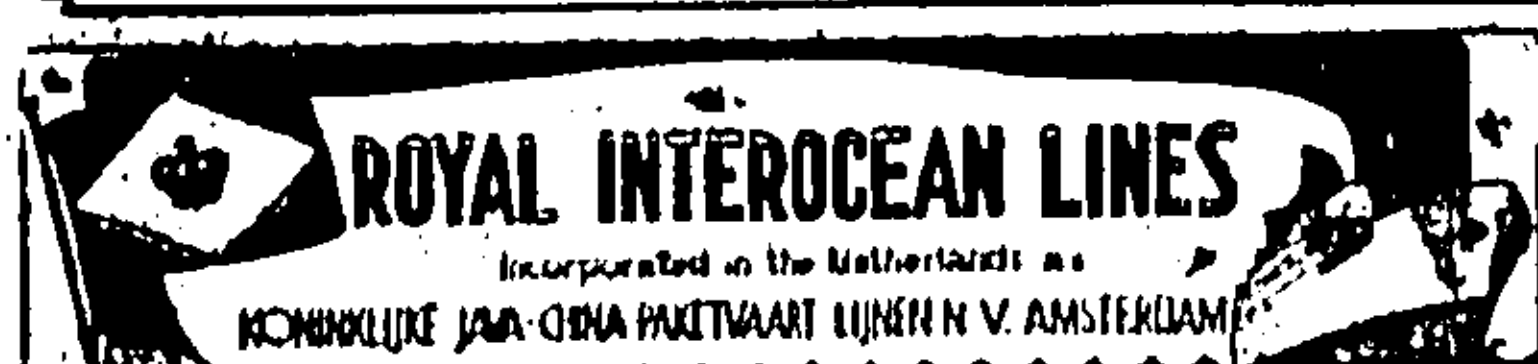
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

### BRITISH, AMERICAN OUTPUT COMPARED BY SCIENTIST

Brighton, September 8.

Contrasting British and American productivity in his Presidential address to the British Association for the Advancement of Science here tonight, Sir Henry Tizard said that the greater productivity in the United States could not be explained merely in terms of the disparity of natural resources.

Sir Henry is the chief scientific adviser to the Government. He heads the Defence Research and the Civil Research Committees and the Committee of Industrial Productivity.

### London Stock Exchange

London, September 9.  
The feature of today's dealings on London's stock markets was that of Thomas Tilling's, the price of which rose sharply, following the overnight publication that an agreement had been reached for sale of its passenger road transport and road haulage undertakings to the Transport Commission, with the purchasing price expected to be around £25,000,000. The value of this stock jumped from 101/- to 117/6, but later reacted and closed around 113/6. Amongst industrials, tobacco was fractionally easier where mentioned. Likewise shipbuilding, electricals and textiles whilst breweries were completely devoid of movement. The few initial gains made by selected iron and steel were quickly shed and this section, following the general trend, closed easier.

Government securities lacked support and consequently were inclined to ease, but the selling was considered to be no more than normal routine business. Internationals were easier in sympathy with overnight weakness on Wall Street. Middle Wits were a feature among the mining issues, being 1/- higher at 28 1/2 on anticipation of favourable developments on this property, but reaction followed and the issue closed below the best at 27/9. Other mining securities were dull.

SECURITIES:  
British Consols, 102 1/2  
Consolidated Loan, 101 1/2  
Funding Loan, 101 1/2  
War Loan, 101 1/2  
Victory Bonds, 101 1/2  
British Transport, 101 1/2

INDUSTRIALS:  
British American Tobacco, 102 1/2  
British Celanese, 102 1/2  
J. & P. Coats, 102 1/2  
Courtauld, 102 1/2  
Dunlop Rubber, 102 1/2  
Ford Motor, 102 1/2  
Lever Brothers, 102 1/2  
Marks & Spencer, 102 1/2  
Pillsbury, 102 1/2  
Sainsbury, 102 1/2  
Standard Motors, 102 1/2  
Vickers, 102 1/2  
Woodworth, 102 1/2

RUBBER SHARES:  
Anglo-Dutch, 102 1/2  
Guthrie, 102 1/2  
Rubber Plantation Investment, 102 1/2

RUSSIAN SHARES:  
Anglo-Russian, 102 1/2  
Rubber Plantation Investment, 102 1/2

FOREIGN BONDS:  
German Loan, 102 1/2  
Japanese Govt, 102 1/2  
Japanese Govt, 102 1/2  
Japanese Govt, 102 1/2

BANKS:  
Chartered Bank, 102 1/2  
Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, 102 1/2  
Mercantile Bank, 102 1/2

MEXICO FIXES GOLD DUTIES  
Mexico City, September 9.  
The Mexican Government published a decree today, fixing the new gold export duties, effective on Saturday, at 45 centavos, Mexican currency, per gram with an additional 35 per cent ad valorem duty.

The new impost affects all type of gold, including bars, gold dust, jewellery. Gold coins were not mentioned in the decree. Reuter.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents, Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd.  
Hong Kong, Sept. 9, 1948.

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Hongkong, September, 11, 1948.

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He pointed out that in Britain just under 18 per cent of the working population is engaged in the production of capital and consumer goods, excluding minerals and food.

In the United States, he continued, the corresponding figure is only 12 per cent, yet, proportionate to the population, the volume of production in the United States is far higher than in this country.

"It cannot be argued," he said, "that in quality and quantity of scientific and industrial research they exceed us. But they possess a higher average standard of technology than we do and a much higher proportion of men of high scientific education in the executive control of industry."

"No new scientific discovery in any field," said Sir Henry, "is likely to have so quick and beneficial an effect on British industry as the application of the vast amount of knowledge already waiting to be used."

"The production of atomic power cannot bring us such economic benefits to this country within the next 20 years as would the practical application of the known methods of economising coal," he said.

A revolution in aeronautics is in sight, Sir Henry declared, and research has shown without doubt that it is now possible to design aircraft far more economical in fuel than at present.

Heart Of Radar  
Referring to the most valuable cargo which had ever arrived on the shores of America—a magnetron, described as "the heart of radar" Sir Henry said: "I cannot but be of the opinion that the Allies have no other single invention. It was the product of British science but it had to be

redesigned in the United States for economical manufacture."

Penicillin, "the greatest practical achievement of medical research during the war," was also originated in Britain, he said, but if American skill in large-scale manufacture had not been available, many thousands of men, who now enjoy a healthy life, would have died.

Referring to the intensive drive in Britain to double the output of scientists by universities, he said that an expansion of research would fail to produce the hoped-for result unless there was a simultaneous expansion in technological education and unless the technologist took his rightful place in industry.

He said that another danger to the drive was the diversion of science graduates from teaching to research, which would deprive schools and imperil the next generation of scientists.

Time For Risks  
He exhorted: "We must not get into the way of thinking of Britain as an elderly man who is told by his doctor that, if he is careful about his diet, avoids exertion and worry, he may look forward to some years of placid life before he dies."

"On the contrary," this is the time for adventure and taking risks—calculated risks but not so nicely or lengthily calculated that they are taken too late."

Sir John Russell, a 76-year-old expert on soil chemistry, was elected by the General Council of the British Association as next year's President in succession to Sir Henry Tizard.—Reuter.

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are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

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### Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The week opened with a fairly active, though selective, market, and prices showed signs of possible improvement. This activity soon became dissipated, neither buyers nor sellers seeming disposed to trade. The market closes with an entire lack of interest, and so little has been done, especially in what is usually regarded as the more active section, that prices have had no opportunity of moving much one way or the other.

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Mercantile Bank A. & B. 221 1/2  
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Canton Ins. 34 1/2  
Union Ins. 74 1/2  
China Underwriters 71 1/2  
H.K. Fire Ins. 26 1/2

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H.K. Docks 29 1/2, 29 1/2  
China Dock 25 1/2  
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H.K. Mines 38 1/2  
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Vibros (Old) X.D. 15 1/2 (New) 10 1/2  
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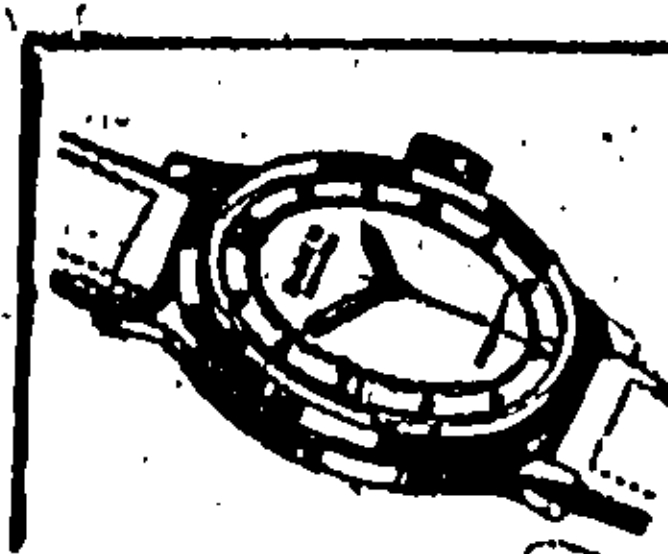
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### Stanley Shield Games

The Stanley Shield seven-a-side football competition starts this afternoon when nine games will be played on the Club ground, starting at 3 p.m.

The Chinese teams do not seem to have given this competition the support it deserves. South China, with a wealth of talent at its disposal, has entered only two teams. Chinese Athletic have also entered two teams, but Kowloon Motor, Bus, Kitchener, and Eastern have only entered one team each, while Kwong Wah is a notable absentee.

Added interest has always been given to this competition by the entry of the Hong Kong Football Club. This year they have entered two teams.

The following is the programme for today and tomorrow:

**TODAY**  
P.C.A. v. St. Joseph's (C) 3 p.m.  
C.A.A. (A) v. Navy (D) 3.30 p.m.  
St. Joseph's (D) v. Army (A) 4 p.m.  
W.D. Chinese v. South China (B) 4.30 p.m.  
2nd Round.  
St. Joseph's (A) v. Tramways (A) 5 p.m.  
C.A.A. (B) v. K.M.B. 5.30 p.m.  
South China (C) v. Tai Koo (A) 6 p.m.  
Police (B) v. Club Rugby (2) 6.30 p.m.  
R.A.F. (A) v. South China (A) 7 p.m.

**TOMORROW**  
Club (A) v. Miniature F.A. 3.00 p.m.  
Navy (A) v. Kitchener 3.30 p.m.  
P.C.A. v. St. Joseph's (C) v. C.A.A. (A) or Navy (D) 4 p.m.  
St. Joseph's (D) v. Army (A) v. W.D. Chinese or South China (B) 4.30 p.m.  
Navy (C) v. Club (C) 5 p.m.  
St. Joseph's (B) v. Tai Koo (B) 5.30 p.m.  
Club (B) v. Club Rugby (1) 6 p.m.  
R.A.F. (B) v. Army (B) 6.30 p.m.  
Eastern v. Police (A) 7 p.m.

### Japanese Obtain Travel Visa

Washington, September 9. A Japanese civil, described by the Army Civil Affairs Department as one of the minor Mitsui families, has been authorised by SCAP to travel to Switzerland and other countries granting entrance permits, for the purpose of attending the conference of the Moral Rearmament Group at Caux, Switzerland.

The spokesman said Takasumi Mitsui, his wife Sideo and daughter Naoko, would be permitted to travel until March 19, 1949. He said the Mitsui son, whom he did not identify, was at present in Switzerland.

After the conference, the son and daughter will attend school in the United States, the spokesman added. He said also that although Mitsui was a businessman, he was not a spy but a sub-tycoon.—United Press.

### US Steamer Runs Aground

The 4,500-ton American steamer Rattler ran aground at Masinloc, about 160 miles north-west of Manila. It was learned on her arrival at Hong Kong yesterday.

No further details were available.

The Rattler arrived from New York via the Philippines with three European passengers and an Asiatic. She carried to the colony 10 tons of general cargo, but has a full load of chrome ore, hemp and coconuts in transit.

She is expected to leave for New York via Panama Canal early today. Cargo operations delayed her departure yesterday at 3.30 p.m. the United States Lines reported.

The company also reported that they have no knowledge of the report that the Rattler ran aground.

### CRICKET SCORES

London, September 9. The close of play scores in the cricket between the East of England and the West were:

At Kingston: East of England 393 and 304 for 8 (Todd 107, Pawson 51); West of England 294 (Cooper 55, Crapp 77).—Reuter.

Scarborough, September 10. The Australian tourists brought their first innings score to 327 runs for the loss of two wickets at lunch time today, after dismissing Leveson Gower's XI for 177 yesterday.

Don Bradman wound up his last tour of England with a century in the final first-class match of the tour and at the same time had the satisfaction of knowing that his team, safe from defeat, was the first Australian touring side to remain unbeaten in England.

Scores:  
Leveson Gower's XI-1st-11ns. 177  
Australians 1st 11ns.  
Barnes, E. Yardley b Laker... 151  
Morris b Yardley... 162  
Don Bradman not out... 109  
Extras... 5

Total (for two)... 327

### THURSDAY'S PLAY

Scarborough, September 9. With Hay Lindwall taking six wickets for 55, the Australians dismissed H.D. Leveson Gower's XI for 177 runs on the second day of their first cricket match in England, and by the close of play the tourists had put on 140 for the loss of one wicket.

Ten thousand people waited for the rain to cease and it was possible to start almost as soon as that happened, but it was a long time before the Leveson Gower's XI as two wickets fell without addition to the overnight score.

First, Fishlock skied the third ball for Harvey to make a catch and so ended a partnership which added 89 and then, Donnelly was caught in the slips.

Yardley played the bowling confidently, but it was Robins who hit the first runs today with a sixer to leg, which sent up the hundred. At 113, however, Robins was clean bowled when playing forward and at 121 two more wickets fell.

Brown played a bumper into the slips and Evans had his off-stump knocked back in the same over from Lindwall.

Just when Yardley seemed likely to be the side's top scorer he was clean bowled and Laker fell to a Johnson catch off Lindwall before lunch when nine wickets were down for 170.

The crowd was estimated at 25,000 when the Australians batted in bright sunshine. Kept comparatively dry by being carefully covered, the pitch did not become difficult, and Barnes and Morris scored freely. Morris twice

After lunch Pritchard drove Lindwall for two and Bedser cut him into the boundary, but was clean bowled next ball and the innings closed for 177. Bedser was loudly cheered for his valuable 23 runs.

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British golf has suffered an almost total eclipse during the past two seasons with America winning the three international trophies, the Walker Cup, Ryder Cup and Curtis Cup, respectively for amateurs, professionals and women, while for two years America has won the women's championship and an American holds the amateur title.

It is realised that if British golf is to come into its own again, youth must be considered now. The game must be fostered among the youngest players and, if possible, it must be taught in schools under competent teachers, as are football and cricket.

More interest is being shown in the junior championships, boys and girls, for it is realised that players in these events today are the champions and international stars of tomorrow.

### Lawn Tennis Also

The same can be said of lawn tennis. Various junior meetings are being followed with keen interest and already some likely players have been earmarked for further consideration and if they are taken in hand now they will certainly develop into senior stars within a year or so.

The problem is an international one and competent authorities in Australia are learning from the Davis Cup defeat that country sustained that new blood is necessary.

During the lunch interval Don Bradman was made a life-honorary member of the Yorkshire Club in recognition of his wonderful batting performances for Australian teams on the Leeds ground, and was presented with a silver salver inscribed with his scores in the four Test matches on the Headingley ground, Leeds.

Under ideal batting conditions, Morris scored 62 out of 102 in 95 minutes before being bowled by Yardley, the sixth bowler tried by Robins. He hit two sixers and five fours.

Bradman, applauded all the way to the wicket, at once attacked the bowling, and while Barnes kept on the defensive the Australian captain scored 30 out of 47 in 36 minutes.

At the close of play the Australians were only 37 behind with nine wickets in hand.—Reuter.

### Nationalist Gains In Honan

Shanghai, September 10. General Hu Chung-nan's crack Shensi forces swept into the Communist stronghold of Lushih, 40 miles south of their Lunghai railway operational base at Lingpao today as they pressed their three days' old counter-offensive in northwest Honan, according to Government despatches.

This is their second major success in two days as yesterday they recaptured the strategic city of Shanshan, 20 miles east of Lingpao.

The Government's "largest ever" counter-drive in north China is also said to be making "considerable headway" with Canadian built "meatloaf" fighters continuing to play an important role. But reports gave no details beyond stating that several more Communist strong-points have been captured.

In central Honan, General Fu Tso-yi's troops recaptured Hsusu, 20 miles north of Paoing, the provincial capital, but are meeting with strong resistance from isolated Red detachments in the northern part of the province, between Miyun and the Great Wall pass of Kupeikow.—Reuter.

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Concentration on young players, with Frankie Sedgman as the key in their fight to regain the Davis Cup, according to Sir Norman Bracken, President of the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia, and he mentioned six or eight other young players from whom a worthy team would come within a year or two.

Getting the youngsters of course is not everything. Once fostered, they will need to practice and Jack Crawford, one of Australia's most famous players of the past, said in a broadcast after the Davis Cup defeat that practice was essential.

He said that it has been neglected by players recently and that the strength of American lawn tennis lay in the manner in which their players practiced.

The whole future of international sports, therefore, would seem to lie at the door of youth.—Reuter.

### DANISH GIRL TO SWIM CHANNEL

Dover, September 9. Miss Elina Anderson, 31-year-old Danish swimmer, plans to leave Dover by motor launch for Cap Gris Nez tonight to make an attempt to swim the Channel tomorrow.

In an attempt last year she gave up within a few miles of Dover.—Reuter.

### Have A Cigar, Young Fellow!

Springfield, Mass., September 10. Mrs. Lawrence Phillips was resigned today to her 22-month-old son's habit of smoking cigars.

She said Baby Lawrence, Jr., began smoking cigarettes a year ago but switched to cigars last month.

"We used to think it was cute. I don't like it now but he squawks and carries on something fierce if I don't give him a cigar,"—United Press.

### Open Speech Urged For Hong Kong

Three was not enough free and open speech about affairs which concerned us in the Colony, said Lieutenant Colonel E. B. Brazier-Croagh last night.

He was introducing the first of the season's meetings of the YMCA Debating and Discussion Group. It had been decided, he said, that in this season's programme they would turn their minds to local matters.

At the next meeting on Wednesday, September 15, Mr. F. C. Clemo will lead a discussion on "Kowloon's Amalgamation."

Mr. Robert Bruce, Representative of the British Council in Hong Kong, will lead the discussion the following week, which will be on "The British Council."

As a conclusion to the month's programme there will be a debate on the subject of which will be "There is no such thing as Free Speech." If the hopes of the members of the Group's committee are realised, there will be a great deal of very free speech at that gathering.

Last night's speaker was Lieutenant Colonel J. D. A. Lamont D.S.O., M.B.E., R.A., who has recently relinquished the post of Public Relations Officer for the British sector of Berlin. He gave an interesting and entertaining account of the background to events in Berlin and the rest of Germany.

### 380-OZ SILVER TROPHY FOR DON BRADMAN

London, September 10. With shillings donated from cricket lovers throughout the country "The People" newspaper has purchased a replica of the Warwick vase, mounted on a silver plinth, weighing nearly 380 ounces in solid silver.

This trophy will be presented to Don Bradman at a London luncheon three days before the Australian team sails for Australia.

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### FIGHT PROMOTER DIES IN SWEDEN

Stockholm, September 10. The Swedish boxing promoter and manager, Carl Oscar Holmstedt, aged 55, died here last night from a heart disease.

The late Mr. Holmstedt accompanied the heavyweight Ole Tandberg on his United States tour last year.—United Press.

### NEW CHARGING RULE BRINGS CRITICISM

London, September 9. The new British soccer season has brought some criticism of the revised charging rule, which is now in force. The new rule—an international one—penalises players who charge on opponent, even fairly, when they are not within playing distance of the ball.

This is a clarification of the old rule, under which it was left to the referee's discretion to decide on incidents of this nature.

## PORTSMOUTH PICKED OVER CHARLTON XI

### Carpentier Pronounces Cerdan Fit

New York, September 10. George Carpentier, former light heavyweight champion who fought Jack Dempsey for the world heavyweight championship 27 years ago, on Thursday pronounced Marcel Cerdan at the peak of his fighting career and would not predict the outcome of Cerdan's title fight with Tony Zale.

Carpentier, who came to America to see Cerdan fight Zale for the middleweight crown on Sept. 21 in Jersey City, told reporters he believed Cerdan was capable of winning but added that he had not seen him in action and therefore would not predict the winner.

Asked if he believed Cerdan was beyond his fighting best on account of age, Carpentier replied, "I think he is just there. I think now he is at his best."

Comparing Cerdan with the former world middleweight champion of France, Carpentier said he thought Cerdan punched harder with the right adding, "Cerdan is a gooshtighter."

Carpentier will visit Cerdan's training camp on Friday to box with him.

Meanwhile, Zale arrived in New York to complete his training.—Associated Press.

### Yanks Lose To Boston Red Sox

New York, September 9. The roof fell in on New York Yankees today when Boston Red Sox poured across eight runs in the third inning for a 9-4 victory, stretching their American League lead to three and a half games.

By defeating second-place New Yorkers, Red Sox won their 24th game in the last 28 starts.

Boston, as a result of two unearned Yankee runs, was trailing 3-0 in the third. Bob Porterfield got the first man out, but then walked the next three batters to fill the bases. Ted Williams' single scored two runs and Vern Stephens tied the game with a double to left field.

Wally Niese's double tallied Williams and Tommy Byrne replaced Porterfield. Two more walks forced in another run and a double by Bill Hitecock tallied two more. Kindey was credited with his eighth victory and Porterfield charged with his second loss.

Pittsburgh won its fifth victory in a row with a 6-1 decision over Cincinnati Reds. Sporting a 1-0 lead until the sixth inning, Reds manager Bucky Walters, who was seeking the 1955th victory of his career, landed the bags then forced a run by walking Danny Murtaugh. Ralph Kiner scored on a pass ball and Virgil Stallcup brought home another run. Pirates added two more runs in the seventh and one more in the eighth.

### Giants Beaten

Rex Barney, 23-year-old right-hander of the Brooklyn Dodgers, pitched the first no-run, no-hit game of the National League season last night in blanking the New York Giants.

Barney struck out four. Only four Giants reached base, two on walks and two on errors. Six balls were hit to the outfield. It was the second no-run, no-hit in the majors this season. Bob Lemon of Cleveland hurled one against Detroit on June 30.

### Portsmouth, leading the first division of the English Football League by two points, look as though they will retain their advantage on Saturday in their toughest test of this season against Charlton.

The game will be played at Portsmouth, an advantage in itself, but in addition, Charlton may be without the services of Charlie Vaughan, the clever centre-forward, who was crippled by a shoulder injury in Wednesday night's game with Chelsea.

The injury has come at an unfortunate time for Vaughan has attracted the attention of the selectors looking for a team to play Denmark.

Willie Robinson is standing by to take Vaughan's place, if necessary. Another new face in the Charlton team may be that of Peter Croker, who played for them in their last cup final at Wembley.

Croker recovered from a broken leg recently. He may substitute for right back Campbell, who is limping with an injured knee.

### Both Unbeaten

Both Charlton and Portsmouth are unbeaten so far this season but the Londoners have had more drawn games. Portsmouth has lost only one point out of a possible 12. That was in a tie with Preston.

Tail-enders of the first division, Everton, ended their losing streak on Wednesday night against Stokes City. With the help of

## Bufs Hold Novices' Competition

The standard of boxing for a novice competition was indeed high but what was better was the high standard of sportsmanship shown by all in the ring, said Lieutenant-Colonel F. W. B. Parry, commanding officer of The Buffs, before the presentation of prizes last night at the conclusion of the novice boxing competition of the Buffs.

The colonel also said that the talent on view augured well for future competitions and he felt sure that The Buffs would hold their own against all comers.

The 10 bouts went off without a hitch. Most of the fights went the whole distance and the boxers packed all they knew in each bout. Several good fights were seen during the evening.

In the semi-finals they were those between Brennds and Stremes, Brennan and Floyd and Jarrett and Vener.

In the finals the closest fight was between Jarrett and Gwillian.

There were no knockouts during the evening. In the featherweight final, Young hit Stremes to the floor in the last second of the second round. The going saved Stremes but he was not able to continue the next round.

The results were—

**FINALS**

Bantamweight—Pte. Keny beat Pte. Yull on points.  
Featherweight—Pte. Young beat Sgt. Stremes by a T.K.O. in second round.  
Lightweight—Pte. Gwillian beat Pte. Cliven on points.  
Welterweight—Cpl. Simmonds beat Pte. Brennan on points.  
Middleweight—Pte. Jarrett beat Pte. Gwillian on points.  
Light heavyweight—Pte. Clarke beat Pte. Matcham on points.  
Heavyweight—Pte. Piper beat Lt. Hardy on points.

### Gasoline Price Raised

Nanking, September 10. China's Government put teeth into its austerity order against private use of automobiles by raising the official retail price of gasoline in Nanking nearly three times to Y3.03 per gallon.

Gasoline suppliers were instructed to start sales at the new price today. It was understood, however, that official purchasers and certain essential operators would be permitted to buy motor fuel at the old price of Y1.25 per gallon.

Supplementing the price increase the Government ordered a sharp reduction in the number of official Government cars in operation, with both the Presidential office and National Defence Ministry cut 50 per cent immediately.

Similar reduction was ordered in Shanghai Municipal Government cars.

Central News reported a survey showing that of 50,000 automobiles in China, 30,000 were concentrated in coastal cities. It was estimated these cars use 4,270,000 gallons of gasoline a month, practically all of which is purchased abroad with foreign exchange.

The report listed monthly consumption of 1,505,000 gallons in Shanghai, 373,000 in Nanking, 372,000 in Hankow, 709,000 in South China, 50,000 in Taiwan.—Associated Press.

### Correspondence

Sir—Reference the article of your correspondent, "Grandstand" on the subject of softball. I wish to point out that none of the players of our softball team are from the Indian police. A few members from the Indian police are taking part in other sports activities of our Club.

For the information of those who are interested, our softball team comprises local Indians, the majority of whom are seasoned players.

U.S. DILLON.  
Hon. Secretary.  
KHALSA SPORTS CLUB.

## WEEKEND LAWN BOWLS

The following are the weekend Lawn Bowls League games:

**TODAY**

First Division  
Kowloon C.C. v Kowloon Dock  
K.B.G.C. x C.C.C.  
Recreo v I.R.C.

Second Division Championship (play-off)  
Recreo v H.K.C.C.  
(at K.B.G.C.)

**TOMORROW**  
First Division  
Kowloon Dock v H.K.F.C.  
K.B.G.C. v Recreo

### Reds On Hainan Moving South

Canton, September 10. Communists on Hainan Island were reported pushing southward in an attempt to capture Yulin and Sanya. Both are important ports and mining centres.

The Reds made a landing on the coast in Wenchang county, in the northeastern part of the island, a Chinese report from Hainan said. Government troops were trying to intercept them.

In South China, Red guerrillas were staging a propaganda fight. Arrivals from Shaoching, the county seat of Kao Yao, on the West river 40 miles west of here, reported that propaganda units of guerrilla forces entered some villages and told debtors not to pay interest to their creditors. They also demanded grain from the villagers.

**Looting**  
The independent Chien Kuo-Yih Pao reported that bandits looted Shui Kow Hui in Kao Yao county and threatened Hainan to the southwest. The report named the bandit chief as Liang Wan-hua.

Another report said 50. Reds attacked Kwanghai in Taishan county near the coast but they were repulsed by county police and guards. When the Reds attacked, a shopkeeper hurriedly closed their business place and pedestrian ran for cover. The Reds fled to the mountains.

Reports that the county seat of Houyuan on the East river was sacked were denied, and Hui Pao, manager of the Po Ai News Agency was summoned before the special tribunal and questioned. Chen Jung-tzu, manager of the Culture News Agency, also was summoned before the tribunal. Both men were warned not to release unfounded military news.—Associated Press.

### AURALIA WINS AT DONCASTER

Doncaster, September 9. Mrs. Alice Joanina Auralia won the Doncaster Cup here this afternoon after a photo finish, with Mr. M.A. Everitt's No. 10 child's second. Sir Humphrey de Trafford's La Fontaine was third.—Reuter.

### KING'S SKIPPER DIES IN ENGLAND

Colchester, England, September 10. Captain Albert Turner, 13 years skipper of the late King George VI's yacht Britannia, died at his home near here on Thursday.—Associated Press.